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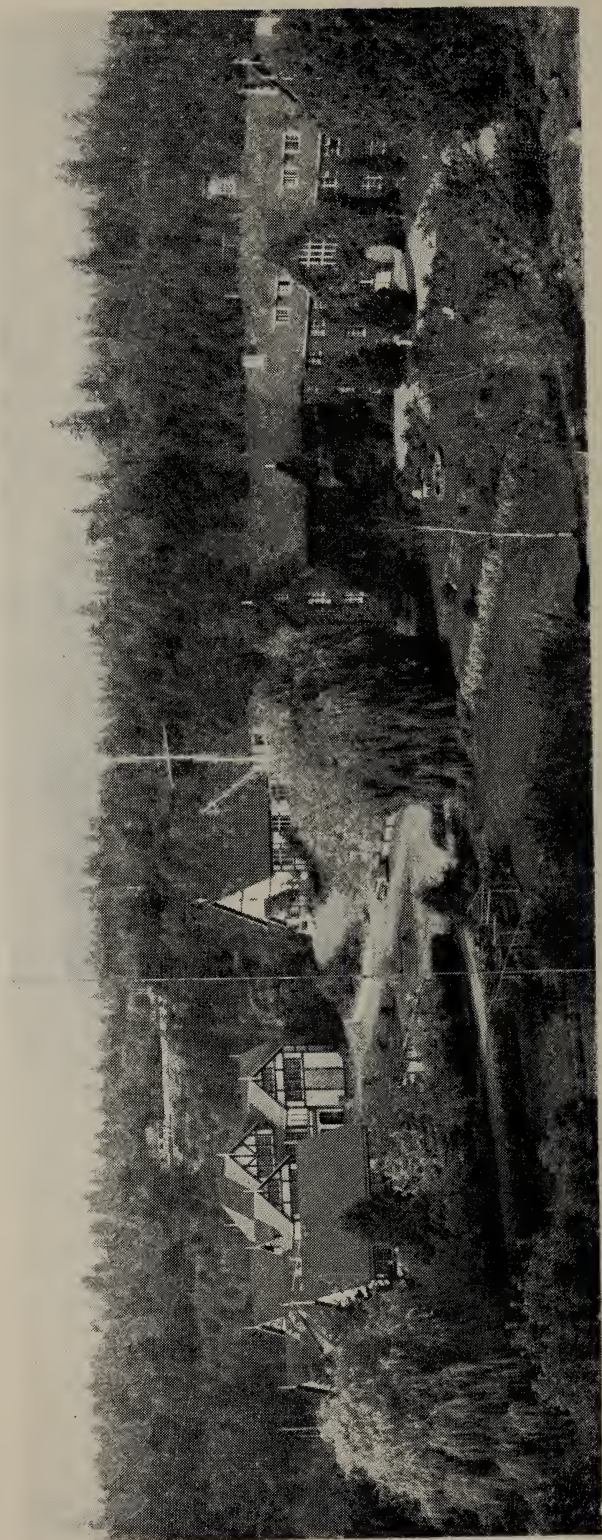
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VIEW OF THE SCHOOL FROM COPEMAN HOUSE

Editorial

IT was Plato who compared the brain to a tablet of wax on which impressions are stamped. It is, of course the impressions we receive while we are young which are most enduring. Our boarding schools in Canada have played an important part in impressing on the minds of several generations of schoolboys ideals which are now our heritage.

The tradition is a fine one, worth keeping and guarding as most old-boys of boarding schools acknowledge. Impressed on their minds is the memory of games which helped not only to develop the body but also to create an attitude towards life. On the playing field they learned sportsmanship and team-play, the ability to admit defeat graciously and to accept victory modestly. This ideal of self-control, so essential in our daily contacts with one another, gained them admiration of friends at school and respect of fellowmen later in life.

Important as they are, athletics must take second place to scholarship. There are few real duffers in a classroom and most can make themselves mentally fit. Sincerity of effort builds self-respect and confidence and the more that is done the more one will be capable of doing. The growth of the brain with use is remarkable. The full and proper use of language is an important exercise and much depends on it. The facts related by Homer and Vergil, Cicero and Livy could be obtained from a good translation. But it is the mental exercise which the effort of translating gives that is beneficial to the mind. Then, too, one who does not talk and exchange thought with others, or who neglects good books, will remain undeveloped. A well-developed, well-stored mind is a vital instrument for achieving success in the highest sense of that word. Scholarship has as its ideal a trained, ennobled, courageous mind, not afraid to think for itself, able to distinguish between right and wrong, and capable of great action.

Nearly all races have evolved religions that aim at ennobling the mind. They embody conceptions of goodness which reflect the strivings of men to do what is right. The conception that our love of God is best manifested in service to fellowmen has been well expressed in the poem "Above Ben Adhem" by Leigh Hunt:—

"I pray thee, then, write me as one that loves his fellow men."

Being a Christian is a static condition. Acting as a Christian is a moving forward, a strengthening of oneself, and an influencing of others. Consciously or unconsciously we influence others and leave an impression on their minds.

Were Plato living now he would want an impression to be stamped by a Christian character upon the minds of the members of his ideal state. The imprint of Christianity upon the wax of the mind is necessary so that the educated and strengthened faculties may be used on behalf of what is good.



SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL — JUNE, 1955

School Notes

The school year 1954-55 opened in an atmosphere of triumph and tragedy. The visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury on the first day of term was reported in our last issue. The joy of this visit was to be greatly overshadowed by the tragic publicity and misunderstanding that attended the resignation of Mr. Hewitt.

After these events the school settled down to an enthusiastic and successful year. Derek Brooks continued as an efficient and popular Head Prefect, and was ably assisted by John Kaye and Peter Nash. Other School Prefects were David Road and Hugh Mowat, later joined in the Summer Term by Tucker Battle. Gerald McGavin finished the year as Head of Grove's House; J. V. Stewart as Head of Lake's House, and Bob Simson as Head of Ripley's House.

We were pleased to welcome Mr. Derek Hyde-Lay back to Shawnigan as House Master of Lake's and P. T. and "Rugger" Instructor. Other new staff members we welcomed were Reverend John Maunsell, as School Chaplain; Mr. Higgs as Grove's House Master and Art Master. Mr. Wilde, on a year's leave of absence from L'Ecole Supérieur at Neuchatel, Switzerland; Mrs. Horton as Head Matron and Miss Davies as Ripley's House Matron.

The School was again honoured by a visit from the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Wallace at the end of March when the War Memorial Plaque, presented by His Honour, was unveiled and dedicated to the memory of 41 Old Boys who made the supreme sacrifice in the World War 1939-1945.

The re-opening of Copeman House, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, as a Junior House for boys in Grade 6 and below was a major step forward. This represented an increase in enrolment to 128 boys at the beginning of the year, and enabled the three remaining houses to compete on equal terms, after some re-adjustment of personnel, which was accepted with good grace by those who were required to change House loyalty to achieve this objective.

The School Concert in mid-November, report of which is made elsewhere in this issue, was perhaps the best attended and most successful on record for the high standard of its performance. Much praise is due to all those who contributed to this success.

While the 1st Rugger XV suffered misfortune by several injuries in the early part of the season, its performance achieved a high standard, and along with the 2nd XV and other teams completed one of the best seasons on record.

We experienced a mild Winter by Shawnigan standards, and although the Spring weather was late, there was little interference with normal school activities on account of weather throughout the year. The health of the School was good, and no major epidemics clouded the horizon.

Special mention should be made of the achievement of the Cadet Corps. The Annual Inspection of R.C.S.C.C. Cougar by Commander R. Phillips, R.C.N., in May, was once more an outstanding success, and the Corps deserves credit for coming within one point of winning the Cadet Efficiency Trophy among the Pacific Coast Corps. Also, for the first time, the Corps was invited to take part in the Sunset Ceremonies at the Parliament Buildings in Victoria during June when favourable comment was earned in many quarters on their turnout and performance.

A number of boys attended the ordination in May of the Rev. C. E. Lonsdale at the Cathedral in Victoria. We were sorry to have to say farewell to Mr. Lonsdale and his family at the end of the term, but our good wishes go with him in the ministerial duties to which he has been called at Armstrong, B.C.

We were also sorry to bid farewell to Mr. Wilde, Mr. Higgs, Miss Bartholomew and Miss Davies at the end of the year, and wish them well along the paths which they have chosen.



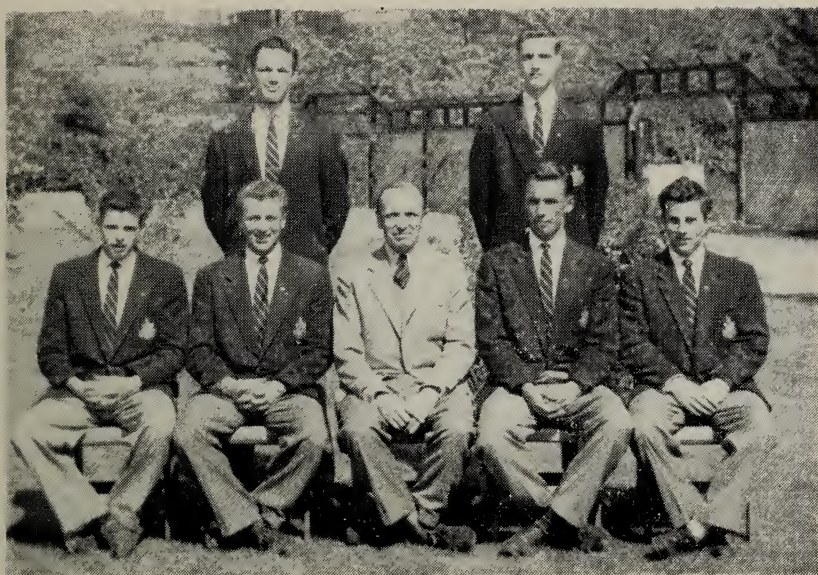
Lieutenant-Governor Unveils Plaque

At 10:45, Sunday, the 26th of March, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia and Mrs. Wallace arrived at the school. Met by the Headmaster and Mrs. Kaye, he took the royal salute, inspected the Guard and the band and commented on their fine turnout.

Shortly afterwards, the visiting party arrived in the chapel, where the school and many visitors were assembled for the Dedication Service. After the Lieutenant-Governor had unveiled the plaque, it was dedicated by the Very Reverend P. R. Beattie, Dean of British Columbia, who later delivered an excellent sermon on why we honour those who have laid down their lives in defense of their country.

The service over, His Honour met relatives of some of the boys whose names appear on the plaque. His Honour and Mrs. Wallace and many visitors then had lunch in the main dining-room with the boys. Altogether it was a memorable few hours which we shall not forget.

SCHOOL PREFECTS



Back Row: C. T. Battle, H. F. Mowat.

Sitting: P. A. Nash, C. D. Brooks, the Headmaster, J. A. Kaye, H. D. Read.



Speech Day – June, 1955

We were blessed with fine weather for the Annual Speech Day and Prize Distribution on June 24th. We were pleased to welcome once again to the school The Honourable Mr. Justice H. I. Bird, who gave the address and distributed the prizes. Judge Bird reviewed for us some of the traditions of the school, and referred to personalities and incidents in its life twenty and more years ago when he visited it more often as a parent of John D. Bird (1929-34). In addition to congratulating the prizewinners on their success, the speaker gave a word of encouragement to the "lesser lights" who, while not having earned special recognition, had contributed their part to the successful record of the year which was referred to by the Headmaster in his opening remarks.

On the platform with Mr. Justice Bird and the Headmaster were Mr. J. Y. Copeman, Chairman of the Board of Governors, Captain J. D. Groves and Mr. H. E. W. Paterson, Governors, and His Grace Archbishop H. E. Sexton, D.D.

After tea had been served in the dining-room, the school and its many visitors and parents removed to Chapel for the final leaving service where the Archbishop gave his address. It was unfortunate that travel arrangements made it impossible for all parents to remain for this service which, through the years, has come to be looked upon as a fitting and impressive climax to the school year.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

7th Form	(Grade 13)	J. A. Kaye
Upper 6th	(Grade 12)	C. T. Battle
Lower 6th	(Grade 11)	J. V. Stewart
Upper 5th	(Grade 10)	P. K. Janke
Lower 5th		J. A. Benson
Upper 4th	(Grade 9)	R. C. R. Malkin
Lower 4th		R. Vandersluys
Remove A	(Grade 8)	R. A. McIntosh
Remove B	(Grade 7)	W. R. G. Hansell
Form 3	(Grade 6)	D. Ross
Form 2	(Grade 5)	G. LaSette

Savage Foundation English Prizes

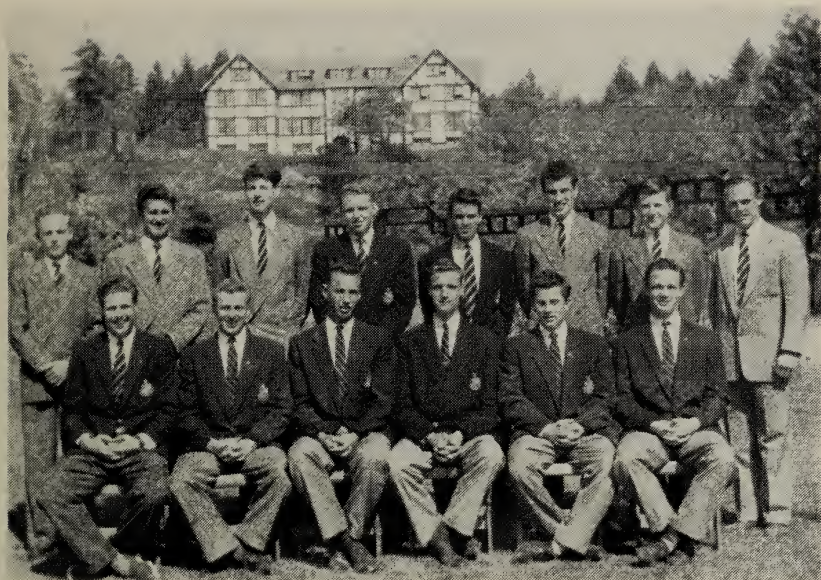
Senior	R. McKechnie
Intermediate	P. K. Janke
Junior	R. A. McIntosh
Mathematics Prize	J. V. Stewart
French Language Prize	J. V. Stewart
Scripture Prizes—Senior	J. O. E. Lundell
Junior	R. C. R. Malkin
Science Prize	C. T. Battle
C.O.'s Prize to New Entry Cadet	R. S. Ryland
Grove's Prize for Leading Cadet	C. D. Brooks
Cadet Cup to Leading Division (P.O. C. F. Crisp in charge)	Maintop Division
Music Cup	John McKenzie
Sports Cups—Senior	J. A. Kaye
Intermediate	R. W. Brown
Junior	J. W. Brighton
Sports House Cup	Grove's House
Rugger Cup	Lake's House
Swimming Cup	Grove's House
Individual Swimming Cup	R. Cooper
Soccer Cup	Lake's House
Cricket Cup	Ripley's House
House Efficiency Cup—Christmas	Lake's House
Lent	Lake's House
Summer	Lake's House
Basketball Cup	Lake's House
House Academic Shield	Lake's House
Squash Cup—Individual	T. R. Robertson
House	Grove's House
Badminton House Cup	Ripley's House
Tennis Cup—House	Grove's House
Senior	R. C. Simson
Junior	I. B. Robertson
House Boxing Cup	Lake's House
Sportsmanship Cup	J. A. Kaye
Efficiency Cup—Christmas	C. D. Brooks, J. A. Kaye
Lent	C. D. Brooks, C. T. Battle
Summer	C. D. Brooks, P. Nash
Junior—Christmas	R. A. McIntosh, P. Armstrong
Lent	P. Armstrong, R. A. McIntosh
Summer	R. A. McIntosh, P. Armstrong
Boxing—Heavyweight Class	J. V. Stewart
Middleweight Class	R. Cooper
Bantamweight Class	M. McAlpine
Featherweight Class	J. Mercer



EFFICIENCY CUP

Our heartiest congratulations are extended to Derek Brooks who, in June, won the coveted Efficiency Cup for the sixth time, a record unparalleled in the school's history. This cup, the most cherished in the school, is won by the vote of the staff, who take into consideration a number of factors which include qualities of leadership, sense of responsibility, and popularity. Previously the cup had been won four times by both R. J. Mellin (1919-21) and J. H. R. Larson (1927-29). Two had won it three times:—A. B. Ripley (1926-27) and E. R. Larsen (1942-43). That Brooks has had his name inscribed on it six times is a notable accomplishment and a record which successors will find hard to equal.

GRADUATING CLASS



Standing: B. Jones, T. R. Robertson, J. C. W. Madden, R. A. Douglas, R. C. Simson,
P. A. McBean, P. H. Hebb, G. B. Moffatt.

Sitting: G. A. B. McGavin, C. D. Brooks, J. A. Kaye, H. F. Mowat, H. D. Read, C. T. Battle.

MCGILL SENIOR MATRICULATION

There were three candidates who wrote McGill Senior Matriculation papers in June, 1955, namely John Kaye, Hugh Mowat and J. V. Stewart.

Out of a total of 12 papers written, 9 were passed. Mowat obtained a mark of 83% in the English Literature paper, and Stewart 79% in the Trigonometry examination, with a good mark also in German.



June, 1955 Examinations

B.C. JUNIOR MATRICULATION

There were few surprises in the Junior Matriculation results this year. A total of 67 papers, excluding those written in Bible Literature, which was an extra course and was not required for matriculation, were attempted and 61 were passed; that is, the candidates were 91% successful. Of the papers failed all but two were passed during the supplemental examination. All those who wished to do university work gained admission to the colleges of their choice.

In the Department of Education Examinations in terminal courses at the Grade XI level, 42 papers were attempted and 38, or 90.4%, were passed. Of those who failed examinations one boy missed all three papers he wrote and the one other failure was made good during the supplemental examinations. High marks of 90% were gained in both Chemistry 91 and Mathematics 30.

A detailed list of the results obtained in the Grade XII and Grade XI examinations follows:—

GRADE XII		No. of Candidates	No. who passed	Average %	Highest Mark
English 40	Language.....	12	11	62.2	85
English 40	Literature	12	10	60.3	83
History 91	.....	11	10	59.3	73
Maths 91	.....	12	12	62.6	80
Physics 91	.....	12	11	61.7	82
French 92	.....	5*	4	56.4	79
Latin 92	.....	2	2	86	88
Bible Literature 40†	.....	13	1	34.2	51
Spanish 92	.....	1	1	72	72

* 7 of this year's Grade 12 candidates passed French 92 in 1954.

† This was an extra course not required for matriculation.

GRADE XI					
Socials 30	14	13	66.8	83
Chemistry 91	14	12	65.4	90
Maths 30	14	13	65.3	90

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Scholarship Examinations — May, 1955

Eight boys, representing four different schools, sat for the Foundation Scholarship examinations which were open to boys under the age of 14 on January 1st, 1955. R. C. R. Malkin came first with an average mark of 80.3% in all his papers and was awarded a four-year scholarship, which has a value of \$300.00 per annum.

J. W. Brighton who, out of three papers written did well in two, where he achieved the required standard, came second with an average of 68% and was awarded a Bursary.

Malkin and Brighton are to be congratulated upon the good papers they wrote and upon heading the list of candidates.

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Chapel News

Regular Sunday services throughout the school year included several of particular interest and importance, the first of these being the annual Remembrance Day Service held on 7th November. As usual, the observance coincided with the Half-Term week-end, with a number of parents and friends being present. A most impressive feature of the services was the sounding of the Last Post and Reveille by the buglers of the Sea Cadet band at the beginning and close of the Silence.

On the evening of 12th December, the last Sunday before Christmas break-up, a special Carol Service took the place of the regular Evensong. The Chapel was most effectively lighted with numerous candles and the choir, under Mr. Galliford, the choir-

master, provided some very enjoyable Christmas music, in addition to the singing of the well-known carols by all.

Twenty-six boys were presented for Confirmation by the School Chaplain on the morning of 6th March, when the Most Reverend H. E. Sexton, D.D., Archbishop of British Columbia and Official Visitor to the school, conducted the rite and preached.

Another occasion of special interest was the Dedication of the Memorial Plaque, on the north wall of the Chapel, bearing the names of forty-one old boys who gave their lives in World War II. The plaque was presented by Colonel the Honourable Clarence Wallace (recently retired as Lieutenant-Governor), who was present for the ceremony with Mrs. Wallace. The then Very Reverend P. R. Beattie, D.D., now Bishop of Kootenay, dedicated the plaque after the names on the Roll of Honour had been read out by the Headmaster. This took place on 27th March.

The Archbishop of British Columbia was also present for the Speech Day ceremonies at school closing on 24th June and gave a short address at the Leaving Service in the Chapel at their conclusion.

Special preachers during the year included the Reverend Fraser Berry, assistant at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, and the Reverend Fr. R. F. Palmer, S.S.J.E. Most appropriately the Reverend C. E. Lonsdale, a master at the school who was ordained to the Ministry in May, preached at the last Sunday service on 19th June. He is now Vicar of the parish of St. James' in Armstrong, B.C.

Mention should also be made of the very fine carved oak altar installed on 26th May. The altar is the expert work of Mr. John Rodd of Sidney, Vancouver Island, who has since completed and installed a matching reredos above the altar, greatly contributing to the appropriate furnishing of the Chapel. The total cost for these additions was \$800.00. It is hoped later to have Mr. Rodd make a Communion Rail to match the altar and reredos and so complete the Sanctuary furnishings. A further fond hope is that in time the plain glass windows at the East End will be replaced with stained glass, and a fund has been started from the sale of waste paper to make a beginning toward this realization.



The Chapel Choir

The Chapel Choir was fortunate this year in being able to sing in the Diocesan Choral Festival held, for the first time, in May in Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria.

In preparation for our part in this pioneering venture, Mr. Graham Steed, the Cathedral organist, came to the school, and in happy style conducted a lengthy, but interesting and enjoyable practice, during which he expressed much pleasure with the tone-production of the treble boys.

The various activities of the Festival day, culminating in the evening in an impressive service of praise in the Cathedral, proved to be of great inspirational value.

The participating choirs warmly welcomed the proposal that this opportunity to sing together should become an annual event.



Earlier in the year, on the occasion of his memorable visit to the school, Dr. Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, complimented the Choir on its affiliation with the Royal School of Church Music, of which he is the President.



Religious Conference

Earlier in Lent Term three boys, John Madden, Peter Hebb and John Armstrong, travelled with Mr. Maunsell to the Annie Wright Seminary, Tacoma, to attend the fourth annual "Pacific Northwest Association of Independent Schools' Student Conference on Religion." The topic for discussion was "Building the Future on the Now" and, though at first it seemed a rather difficult and abstract subject to discuss, many interesting, friendly arguments developed later.

The week-end, February 4th, 5th and 6th, had been thoughtfully planned for organized discussions were interspersed with informal gatherings, a lecture period was followed by the use of the recreational facilities. One of the highlights of the Conference was the lecture delivered by Colonel Paul Rusch, who explained the purpose of the work being carried out at Kiyosato in Japan, where there is an experimental farm that

endeavours to teach the Japanese to establish self-supporting communities. Father Gowen gave three addresses on the discussion topic and it became plain from these addresses and from the reports given by the leaders of the individual discussion groups that the topic had been well chosen since it had led the investigation in a variety of directions.

Before the Conference ended all the delegates attended a chapel service that had as its choir a group composed of representatives from each school present. Armstrong I and Hebb I represented the school in the choir while John Madden read the Second Lesson and carried the Canadian flag in the procession. Mr. Maunsell officiated at this service.

The unanimous opinion of those who attended was that the Conference had been a great success. In all, about sixty-five were present. These represented six girls' schools in the United States and four boys' schools, of which three are in British Columbia and one in Seattle.



The Confirmation Service

On March 6th, the second Sunday in Lent, was held the Confirmation Service, at which His Grace the Archbishop of British Columbia officiated. Presented by the Rev. John Maunsell, the School Chaplain, the twenty-six candidates for confirmation had begun receiving their instruction before Christmas.

The service began with the singing by the choir and the congregation of the Processional hymn "Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove." In his address Archbishop Sexton, speaking directly to those about to be confirmed, explained the meaning of Confirmation and its help if one is to lead a Christian life. After the address came the Laying on of Hands and the Blessing of Candidates. Throughout the service the choir took an active part and added much to it by leading the singing of the beautiful hymns. The Recessional Hymn "Love Divine, all loves excelling" brought this service, which we shall long remember, to a close.

The boys presented for Confirmation were the following:—

Vincent Clarke	Adam Moss	Burke Cuppage
Donald Mowat	Robin Douglas	Kenneth Peacock
Kent Greenwood	David Jackson	Anthony Read
Peter Janke	Alastair Scott-Moncrief	Murray McAlpine
Michael Kemble	John Stainer	Barry White
Fred Waters	Peter McIntosh	Christopher Malkin
Roy McIntosh	Brian Witt	John Woolf
Kendal Windeyer	Patrick Mead-Robins	Brian Mitchell
Blake Millner	Frank Young	



Sea Cadets

R.C.S.C. "COUGAR"

As a result of three years of experience and sound training, a new spirit of self-confidence was evident whenever the Ship's Company took to the parade deck during the past year of operations—a spirit which approached "cockiness" as the season wore on. This attitude was apparently justified by the Corps' record, for at the Annual Inspection "Cougar" was rated second only to "Alberni" in general proficiency.

An important feature of the year's activity was the development of a full-scale band. New instruments and the added experience of the original bandmen contributed a great deal to the improvement of the band, but the greatest single contribution was the able and much valued assistance rendered by Mr. A. Higgs, of Victoria. As most valuable members of the band, McGavin and Kaye were awarded the Ward Music Trophy.

The Annual Inspection followed closely the pattern of the preceding year, except for the ceremonial march-past, which was considerably more complicated than in previous years. As usual, the weather was kind—even to the extent of providing a fine stiff breeze, which filled sails, but chilled spectators to the point where, in their haste to get back to warm rooms, they forebore from asking possibly awkward questions of Cadets involved in seamanship classes and demonstrations. Commander R. Phillips, R.C.N., the Inspecting Officer, complimented the Corps on its fine showing, and pointed out to the Cadets that



the thorough training which they were getting not only added to the sum of the knowledge they possessed, but gave them confidence in their own ability to carry out whatever tasks may be allotted them or to meet emergency with coolness and efficiency.

The final event of the year was the performance of the Sunset Ceremony at the Parliament Buildings, Victoria. A picked Honour Guard of some thirty armed Cadets with the band trained during their spare time for about a month before the event. The actual ceremony was carried out before a large group of impartial spectators who received the efforts of the detachment with decidedly favourable comments. Following the ceremony, the Guard marched to the Odeon Theatre, where they watched the evening performance as guests of the manager.

Of graduating Cadets:—Brooks' application for H.M.C.S. "Venture" was accepted, and he is reported to be pounding the parade-deck there in fine fettle.

Simson's application for College Militaire was rejected on medical grounds. The eye condition which caused the rejection has been corrected, and it is understood that Simson will be applying to enter Royal Roads.

P.O.'s Crisp and McKechnie attended training courses at H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" during the summer months, and McKechnie came out at the head of his class in "Communications."



Scouts

The Troop strength was 21 during the year. Three Second Class Badges were awarded and P.L.'s A. Moss and B. Mitchell won their First Class Badges, thus qualifying to attend the 8th World Jamboree at Niagara-on-the-Lake in August.

During the year several week-end camps and hikes were held, including a combined camp with Scouts from Shawnigan Village and Victoria. Several week-end journeys of ten miles and more were held in preparation for the First Class Badge.

Three P.L.'s attend a P.L.'s week-end conference at Duncan, which proved very helpful.

Cubs

The Wolf Pack had only eight members during 1954-55 because of the higher age of the junior scholars. As a result a number of activities, such as the picnics, were combined with Copeman's House outings.

The standard of Star work was maintained. A new enterprise was the start of a large wood and bark wigwam, which it is hoped to complete this year.

The World Jamboree

By Adam Moss

We had an extremely exciting and interesting time at the Jamboree during August. It was held at Niagara-on-the-Lake and Scouts from most countries attended.

Some of the displays presented by different contingents were very good. The entrances to the sub-camps had been decorated by those to whom that section had been assigned. In some cases the entrances were decorated in mural form to depict the history of the country whose representatives were staying in that section. Probably the attraction that fascinated us most was the flag tower which the Italians erected. It was approximately sixty feet high and was bound together with quarter-inch rope. Another highlight amongst the displays was the floral Boy Scout emblem at the entrance to the arena.

Our trip to Niagara Falls was full of interest since we saw many historic sites. We stopped off to see Brock's Monument and the Hydro-Electric's floral clock. At the Falls the boys went into the tunnel, boarded the "Maid of the Mist," and crossed to the American side.

A few days later we went by train to Toronto, where we attended the Canadian National Exhibition. Many of us from British Columbia found it much larger than the P.N.E.

As all good things must come to an end, the Jamboree had eventually to come to a close and we left for home after a most enjoyable and happy experience of good scouting at Niagara-on-the-Lake.



Dramatic Society

The two main performances staged by this Society during the past year show not only that the interest for this type of activity has increased considerably but also that the standard of production has improved favourably.

The first performance, which took place on the Old Boys' week-end in November, was an effort to replace the short skits that made up the Rag Concert of previous years with a production of a more ambitious nature. It was felt that such a show would be more interesting for Old Boys and parents, and would be more worthwhile for the boys as participants.

Before intermission the Society produced two plays. The first was the farce "Ici on parl Français." In this play what the cast lacked in polish and smoothness they more than made up for with enthusiasm and vitality. Moreover, success was ensured by the fact that there were no lags or uncertainty; indeed, situation developed upon situation until the explosive climax, involving the irate British major, the effervescent Frenchman, and the simple bewildered Mr. Spriggins, solved a ridiculous predicament. The Major was played by Derek Brooks; Victor Dubois by John Madden, and Mr. Spriggins by Mr. Larsen. The haughty Mrs. Spriggins, who because of her Fitz-Pentonville ancestry, was so humiliated by her new situation, was played by Peter Hebb. Christopher Malkin was Angelina their daughter; Stephen Knight—looking like a light heavy-weight boxing champion—was Julia, the pretty wife of Major Regulux Rattan; and Anthony Vincent played the maid, Anna Maria.

The other play was a comedy called "The King's Gesture." This proved to be a creditable performance of a difficult play. In particular, Joe Stewart as the King's Jester and Colin Ky'es as the Royal Valet, portrayed their parts ably. Tucker Battle was the King with Brian Jones as his secretary. The foreigners were Donald Mowat as the Inderabian; Kendal Windeyer as the Englishman, and Tony Pellett as the American. Tony Read played the Herald, and the Royal Guards were John Mercer and Rodney Pelling.

After the intermission an operetta, "The Saucy Hollandaise," was produced. This was definitely the highlight of the evening. It would have been easy for critics to have found mistakes in this. Some of the choruses lacked a good quality of tone; the dances were not performed by drilled and perfected dance teams; and movement about the stage seemed to be more vague wandering than planned manoeuvring. However, the audience soon realized that, in order to accommodate 40 performers on the small school stage, the vague wandering was indeed the planned performance. Moreover, when the spectators saw how wholeheartedly enthusiasm had been substituted for polish in the singing and dancing, they too were carried away and seemed to enjoy it thoroughly. Nobody wanted to criticize. If any should be noted amongst an able cast, one might mention Mrs. Larson as the Princess and Mr. Hyde-Lay as the Prince. The pleasing voice of the former and the clownish antics of the latter contributed much to the success of the performance.

Murray McAlpine, as Hano the Tinker, and John Armstrong, as Doctor Quick, combined sound dramatic and musical talents to produce convincing interpretations. The Queen, too, was admirably played by Miss Davies, who showed distinct acting ability. Many boys made up the choruses of sailors and ladies, and all of them took part with the gusto and enthusiasm necessary to have made it an enjoyable show.

In March the Society put on two plays in conjunction with a play by the staff. The first play was an old fashioned melodrama called "He done her wrong." This play was most amusing and quite well done; however, it would have met with more success if fewer people had tried to speak with high pitched voices. It certainly made the performance all the more ridiculous to have so many of the largest boys in the school cast as ladies; however, this aim was probably overdone. In any case it was appreciated warmly by an audience made up of the school because all the participants were known so well. The lusty, whole-hearted Brian McGavin played Hyacinth Haven the pretty, young heroine. The fierce and rangy Sam Perry played Mrs. Octavia Moneycracker, the cold and snobbish society matron. Her daughter Alvina was portrayed by Colin Kyles, and Donald Mowat played Ninette Darwood. The unprincipled scoundrel, Feetwood Dashaway—a man indeed well-schooled in the ways of villainy—was played by John Madden. Last, but by no means least, Joe Stewart was Fitzjohn Oliphant, the strong and manly hero.

The second play which was done by the Society in March was a comedy called "Courage, Mr. Greene." In this play the male sections of the audience were given ideas as to how to become masters in their own homes. The performance was good and it was chosen to represent the school in the Cowichan Drama Festival which was to take place in May. In that Festival, at which twenty plays competed over a period of five days, "Courage, Mr. Greene," was chosen as one of the best three for the encore performance. In addition, Christopher Malkin was awarded a prize as the best actor in the Festival. Percy Greene was played by John Armstrong, with Christopher Malkin as his ambitious wife. Robert Ramsay, Greene's employer, was portrayed by Jack Slick and Anthony Vincent played Smith, the gentleman burglar. Minnie the maid was done by Shane Ryland.

The final play, which was done by the staff, can only be called an "Absurdity in One Act." However, it was also called "The Crimson Cocoanut." Mr. Galliford played Jack Pincher, a detective; Mr. Larsen, Robert, a waiter; Mr. Wilde, Mr. Jabstick; Mrs. Curtis, Nancy Jabstick his daughter; Mr. Hyde-Lay, Nitro Gliserinski, an anarchist; and Miss Davies, Madame Gliserinski. It was ably directed by Rev. Maunsell.

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Pancake Greaze

On Shrove Tuesday, February 22nd, the Annual Pancake Greaze was held in the gymnasium, the setting for this traditional event.

The twenty-one contestants, two from each of the forms except Forms II and III which entered three combatants, lined up with the smallest in the centre. As soon as the Headmaster had blown the whistle Tom threw the pancake, which landed a little to

the left of centre. What ensued defies description. The pancake, we are told, was within the pile for the allotted three minutes. About half-way through attention was diverted to McGavin II who, it was thought, was the possessor of a bulky portion of the precious pancake. This gave Cooper the chance to seize a large section and when time was called he and Burgess I were declared winners.

The members of the Upper Fifth were allowed to go to the village to celebrate the victory with their two representatives.



Young Farmers' Club

The big event of the year was the birth of the sow's first litter—10 piglets. Eight have survived and are well grown. The sow appears to be a good one, having won first place at the Duncan Show and second at the Cobble Hill Show in the unregistered sow class.

Much time has been spent by the club in converting the old pump house into a barn for livestock. Two pig pens have been built and are well populated.

Two calves, lent by Mr. J. Shaneman, were reared until June and then were returned in excellent condition to their owner.



Hobby Shop

Under Mr. Carr's capable guidance the Hobby Shop has flourished and a large number of boys have spent many profitable, industrious hours at the benches. The time spent by Nash and Foster I was rewarded by the production of articles of fine workmanship.

Trenholme and Scott-Moncrieff deserve special mention. They both made sailing dinghies.

Early in February a trip to the B.C. Forest Products Plywood Plant at Victoria was arranged for five boys, who saw how plywood is made. They watched its production from the time a log enters the mill until the moment when finished the plywood is ready for shipment.

This interest in wood led to such general activity in the Hobby Shop that at one point in the year there were no fewer than twelve table lamps under construction.



The Rifle Club

The Rifle Club got off to a good start early in the year and decided to enter the D.C.R.A. competition. The team consisted of Boyce, Brown I, Foster I, McGavin I, McKechnie I, McNab and Money. Of these, Boyce and Foster I proved to be outstanding "shots." Through the help of Mr. Carr the marksmanship of the members improved and the club looks forward to winning new laurels next year.



The Natural History Club

During the early part of the year the members of this club laid aside their nets and bottles to tidy and paint their room. Perhaps it was the prospect of improved quarters for their bugs that attracted more members than the club had had for many years.

Later in the year Mr. R. H. Mackay, Dominion Wildlife Officer at U.B.C., kindly visited the school's naturalists. In his interesting lecture he explained the process of banding migratory birds in order to check their paths of migration. He pointed out the need for traps to catch the birds and the necessity for sending to Ottawa for bands and forms so that the birds might be traced. He concluded his lecture by showing slides of the trumpeter swan. His visit was much appreciated.

When the fine weather arrived the members of the club once more got down to the more serious business of catching moths and butterflies in and around the school.



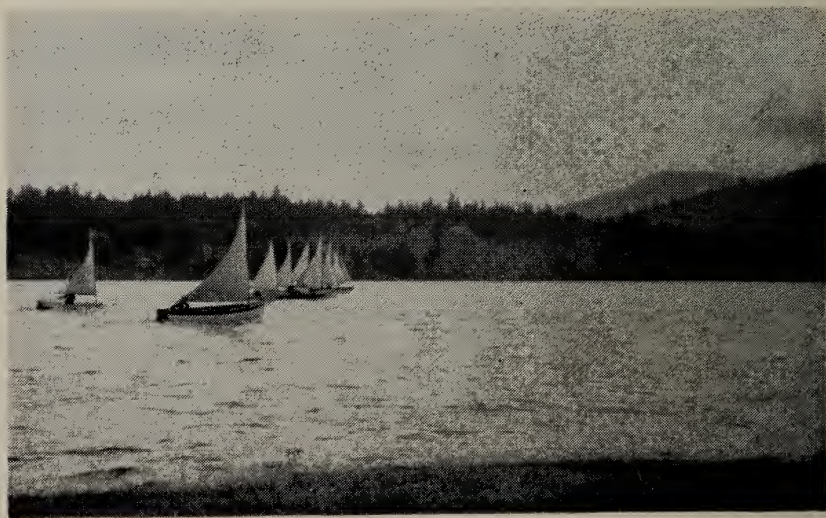
Boats Club

The stormy weather which continued until late in the Summer Term somewhat hampered the activities of the approximately thirty members of this flourishing club. As a result they were often

"As idle as a painted ship
Upon a painted ocean."

Of the hardy mariners who did occasionally venture forth one found to his interest that there is a right and a wrong way of "going about."

It is a very popular club, whose membership is hoping for better things from the weather in future.



The Printing Club

Proof of the activity of this club was clearly visible upon occasion throughout the year since it undertook the publication of programmes for the School Concert and the Dramatic Society performances, as well as for the printing of "anonymous" Christmas cards which were duly received by members of the staff.



The Photography Club

The Photography Club was often the scene of serious work. Though "qui male agit odit lucem," (he who commits evil actions shuns the light), outsiders know that out of the dark precincts of this club come accomplishments which may well brave the glare of publicity. We take pleasure in printing some of the results of their work in this magazine.



The Art Club

Those boys who were interested in using the facilities of the Art Room took full advantage of the opportunity and under the guidance of Mr. Higgs enjoyed a most successful year. A large number of boys did promising work in the mediums of oil, water colour, pencil, charcoal, and copper.

It was decided to enter exhibits in two shows:—the Victoria Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition Hobby Show, and the Shawnigan Lake Annual Flower Show. Altogether ten boys submitted entries and were successful in winning four prizes at the Annual Flower Show:—

Waters.....	1st Prize in Copper Tooling
Andrews.....	2nd Prize in Puppetry
Curtis II.....	2nd Prize in Copper Tooling (Junior Class)
Foster II.....	3rd Prize in Copper Tooling

Recital

On the evening of January 31st the School had the pleasure of hearing a piano recital given by Mr. Aladar Ecsedy. A Hungarian by birth, Mr. Ecsedy has toured the United States and Canada and been received warmly.

During his recital in the Big School, Mr. Ecsedy paused from time to time to give a brief history of the composer whose work he was about to play and to explain what type of music it was the audience was going to hear.

His brilliantly played selections, and his illuminating witty comments, brought Mr. Ecsedy at the end of his recital an ovation which was well merited.

His programme was as follows:—

Scarlatti.....	Sonata in C
Chopin.....	Raindrop Prelude
Chopin.....	Fantasy Impromptu
Lizst.....	Lieberstraum
Schubert.....	Serenade
Manuel de Falls.....	Ritual Fire Dance
Cyril Scott.....	Negro Dance
Rimsky-Korsakov.....	Flight of the Bumble Bee



Romeo and Juliet

The members of the Upper Sixth Form, with their Form Master Mr. Wilde, travelled to Victoria on the evening of February 10th, to see the movie "Romeo and Juliet." Since the Form was studying the play the picture show had a critical audience. One learned member of the form claimed that sections of the dialogue had been left out in the movie. His colleagues, on the other hand, claimed that he must have been following the text by means of a flashlight. Despite this difference of opinion the trip was voted a success and a worth-while adjunct to classroom work.

The Magazine Club

This year Mr. Archbold helped to form a club whose purpose was to gather and to edit material for the School Magazine. We diverged, however, from our original purpose. The club decided to print a small paper as a sideline. The paper was a success but we found that we were devoting too much time to its publication and not enough to the preparation of material for the magazine.

"The Stag," as we came to call it, grew from a small idea to an edition of some eighteen pages which contained news of school activities, reports of sport fixtures, a section of literary contributions, and a column of gossip. We mastered organization and editing, but we never quite conquered the ditto machine. Temperamental, or downright diabolic, it would persuade us that all was well, then suddenly seize fifty sheets and, crumpling and smudging them, hurl them defiantly in our faces. Nevertheless, at ten cents a copy we more than paid for our supplies and were able to contribute some money towards the printing of photographs in the magazine.

Next year we hope to continue "The Stag" but put more effort into the production of an enlarged magazine.



Village Concert

On Wednesday, April 27th, many boys from the school attended a concert held in the village.

The programme consisted of songs sung by three groups. An all-male choir, the main attraction, sang assorted songs, including religious tunes and sea-chanties. Their hit was "The Happy Wanderer." This choir also gave a preview of the songs they were to give at the Nanaimo music festival.

The second attraction was a soprano, who sang unfamiliar but enjoyable songs, and was given two encores.

The last attraction, "Betts and her Buddies," who sang many well known songs, including some old barbershop quartet selections and "Mr. Sandman," was probably the best liked feature.

The concert was enjoyed by all, and next year's performance is eagerly looked forward to.



The Oxford-Cambridge XV

On Saturday, March 19th, the Oxford-Cambridge team played in Victoria against the Crimson Tide.

About fifteen boys left the school to watch the game on a warm, clear day, which was perfect for rugby.

The game was a little disappointing as the play was inclined to be sluggish and it brought to light few brilliant movements. At the end of the first half the visiting team held a slight lead after a scrappy opening.

The Band from H.M.C.S. "Naden" provided excellent entertainment for the spectators at McDonald Park during the intermission between the first and second half.

When play resumed the match grew more interesting and the kicking of the English team was particularly fine to see. The visitors had little trouble during this half in building up a substantial lead and the final score was 21-8 in their favour.

The boys who went to the game, though expecting to watch faster and smoother play, thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity of seeing the Oxford-Cambridge XV in action.



Grove's House Notes

Last year Groves House enjoyed success in nearly all phases of school life. This can be attributed both to the House as a whole and to the enthusiasm of individuals who contributed more than their share to the spirit of their House.

The year was a particularly satisfactory one in the realm of sport. In rugby Groves had seven players on the 1st XV. Five of these won School Colours: D. Read (Captain of the 1st XV), D. Brooks, R. Douglas, J. Kaye and G. McGavin. On other school rugby

teams Groves had its quota of players, some of whom showed promise. Bad luck dogged the Groves' team in the House rugby match. It was knocked out of the competition by Ripley's, who won by a score of 10-6.

Groves was well represented on the 1st XI, for there were eight from the House on the team. Among these were seven Cricket Colours: J. Kaye (Captain of the 1st XI), D. Brooks, C. Crisp, R. Douglas, B. Jones, G. McGavin, and D. Read. Three of these distinguished themselves: J. Kaye topped the batting averages; C. Crisp and R. Douglas had very good bowling averages. In the House match Groves met Ripley's, who had defeated Lake's. Batting first the Groves' XI knocked up 118 runs, a total to which the stands made by J. Kaye, G. McGavin and C. Crisp contributed heavily. To the House's horror, Ripley's replied with 129 runs. Congratulations Ripley's, but watch out next year!

In basketball, D. Brooks (Captain of the School team), J. Kaye and R. Douglas won School Colours. In the inter-House games Groves' senior team won all its matches comfortably except one, which was lost to Lake's. The junior basketball team did not fare so well and Lake's won the Basketball Shield by defeating Groves 3-2.

It was, however, in the track and field events that Groves gained victories and won the day. J. Kaye was "Victor Ludorum" in the open events, and R. Brown in the under 16. The keen spirit of the House was made evident by the number of points gained under the new "standard" system.

Groves was triumphant, too, in the inter-House swimming. Most of the points were gained in the open events, in which G. McGavin gained 17 points; D. Brooke 12, and G. Smith 9. Although the relay teams and the competitors in the under 16 races did not do brilliantly, the contestants in the under 14 events made sure that the victory was Groves', which won with a total of 59 points.

In tennis I. Robertson won the junior singles trophy and the House Tennis Team won the tournament. Groves' House supplied every player on the School Squash Team except one. Having this advantage the House won the inter-House Squash. In badminton Groves came second.

In the effort to excel in academic work Groves was hampered by a group which was often on "satis." On the other hand J. Madden and C. Malkin distinguished themselves and gave the House some justification for holding up its head.

It is with regret that the House bid good-bye to D. Read, G. McGavin, R. Douglas, J. Madden, P. Hebb and B. Jones, all of whom except Jones, who is attending King Edward High School, are now studying at U.B.C.

D. Brooks left Groves for H.M.C.S. "Venture," and J. Kaye for McGill in far-off Montreal. We were also sorry to have to say farewell to our Housemaster, Mr. Higgs, whose kindly supervision and help will be missed.



Ripley's House Notes

This year Ripley's House was restored to its former status as a senior House. Boys from both Lakes and Groves were diverted to form the senior section of the House, while those who had been in Ripley's House the preceding year remained loyal. Mr. Robinson, our Housemaster, was, of course, a staunch Ripleyite from last year. We welcomed seven new boys to the house. As Mr. Robinson said in our first House meeting, it was hard to forget our old loyalties, but we should be proud to be charter members of a new House.

Mowat was Ripley's House representative among the School Prefects, and Battle joined him in the summer term. Simson and Battle were the original House Prefects. Tam Robertson was made a Prefect after Christmas, and Michael Kaye and Brian McGavin were made Prefects after Easter. Our House matron was Miss Elizabeth Davies, an accomplished guitar player.

In the inter-House sporting events, Ripley's was more successful from a House effort point of view than from actual wins. In the swimming competition we came third. However, we did gain the Open and under 14 Relays, and McGavin won the under 16 championship. We came second in the track and field events. Brighton won the under 14 Championships. The introduction of the "standard" system gave boys who could not ordinarily contribute many points a chance to support the House. It is significant that Ripley's House led in standards gained. Ripley's House contributed its share of members to the rugby teams, thirty-one in all. Battle and Simson were awarded their school Rugby Colours, and McGavin, Cuppage, Kaye and Perry played for the 1st XV. In the

second term, the inter-House Rugby was held. We beat Groves 9 to 6, but in turn were beaten by Lake's 6 to 0. We lost the Basketball to Lake's and Groves. We came second to Lake's in the boxing. Mercer, McAlpine, and Beardmore won their respective weight divisions. Ripley's defeated both Lake's and Groves in cricket. We only just beat Lake's when we should have trounced them, and beat Groves, who should have trounced us. Cuppage won his Cricket Colours in 1st XI play; Simson, who had his colours from the previous season, McGavin and Vandersluys played on the 1st XI as well. In the racquet sports we lost the tennis and squash to Groves, but won the badminton. If, in the final tabulation of sporting events, Ripley's House loses, we at least gained the respect of the other Houses.

Ripley's House gentry were to be found embedded in all outside activities. The Photography, Rifle, Magazine and all other clubs, received the loyal support of Ripley's House boys. Zest and enthusiasm were the key words, and if the products lacked the master's touch, one could see the enjoyment behind them.

The year, taken by and large, was a success. Although we did not win everything in sight, we had a good try at it. Next year will be better.



Lake's House Notes

It must be many years since Lake's House has had such a successful year. Our shelf in the dining-room is heavily laden with cups won in various competitions. Our diet, however, has been well balanced and the discriminating observer will notice that nestling comfortably between the Rugger Shield and the Boxing Cup there stands the inter-House Academic Shield.

This, perhaps, is our most treasured possession and one which will be defended with utmost effort during the coming year. It was only in the closing weeks of the Summer Term that we managed to overtake Ripley's House, which appeared at one time to have a stranglehold on the shield.

Holding a place of equal honour is the House Efficiency Cup which we won each term in the year, a record which will take a great deal of effort to equal. Peter Nash was a most efficient Head of the House and in more ways than one was the person responsible for the House's all-round success.

The House Prefects, Joe Stewart, Jack Slick, George Moffatt and Bob Cooper, all pulled their weight and carried out their duties, for the most part, with enthusiasm and good spirit. Lake's House, as the year progressed, began to get the reputation for being a team, and it was noticeable how much better we did in team play than we did in contests between individuals. This is a reputation of which we are proud, and one which we hope will become a tradition.

In many competitions we were definitely not the favourites. Determination and spirit, however, generally carried us to the fore, as they did in the rugby and basketball competitions, and we very nearly pulled off a surprise win in the House cricket matches. In the basketball we surprised everyone by winning despite the loss of two players because of injuries. We also won the boxing tournament in which Stewart, Cooper, Kenney, Burgess II, and Yorath won their weights while Waters and Poo'e lost close decisions in the finals of their weights. We did not do so well in the track and field sports, but Jack Slick set a new record in the 440 yards, and Bob Cooper set new marks in the mile and trail races. These two together with George Moffatt did well in the School Track Meet against H.M.C.S. "Venture."

Joe Stewart, Bob Cooper, Jack Slick and Manuel "Fly" Macaya all played on the 1st XV and won School Colours. George Moffatt captained the most successful 2nd XV we have had in the school. Orval Foster, Ed. Kenney, Ernie Burgess and Larry Bortles were regular members of the team, and John Poole, the Colt's captain, played some matches for the Seconds. In cricket it was another story. We had no representatives on the 1st XI, but on the 2nd XI had five players.

We enjoyed success in other fields. We sported some of the School's "brains." In this respect there come to mind Joe Stewart, Peter Janke, McIntosh I and II. In the Hobby Shop Orval Foster and Vince Clarke produced work of first-class quality. We were well represented in the various clubs in the school and (we are not proud of this) supplied more than our fair share of defaulters.

During the year the health in the House remained at a high level and everyone exuded good spirits. We extend warm thanks to Miss Bartholomew for her untiring efforts on our behalf and wish her all the best in her new position as mistress at a girls' school in Nova Scotia.

Our Housemaster, too, is leaving. Mr. Hyde-Lay, however, is taking on an even pleasanter task than looking after Lake's House; he is getting married. We wish him and his bride life-long happiness and hope that they will often visit us. They will be most welcome visitors.

In concluding our notes we of Lake's House wish to send our greetings to all former Lake-ites and to say that we are doing our best to follow in their footsteps. To them and to those who will not be members of our company next year, good luck—come back to see us soon.



Copeman House

Copeman House was re-opened this year as a Junior House after being empty for many years.

At first it seemed a little strange, particularly with so many empty rooms. However, fifteen boys from eight to thirteen years of age soon made it look like "home."

In sports, the juniors had their own events in swimming and track, "A" team proving winners by 8 points.

During the year, broom-cutting was a good spare time activity and a great deal was cleared, making way for flower borders in the near future.

Summer Term brought lots of swimming, the "before bed" swim proving most popular.

J. Walter was senior boy in the House, assisted by D. Ross.



Valete — June, 1955

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| <p>C. D. BROOKS (1949)—Head Boy (1953-55); 1st XV Rugby Colours; 1953-54; Cricket XI Colours, 1955; Captain, 1st Basketball team, Colours 1954-55; Gym Team; Track Team; Chief P.O., R.C.S.C.C. "Cougar," 1955; winner of Efficiency Cup six times.</p> <p>J. A. KAYE (1949)—School Prefect (1953-55); Head Student, 1954-55; 1st XV Rugby Colours 1953-54; Captain 1st XI, 1954-55, Cricket Colours 1953; 1st Basketball Colours 1954-55; Squash Team; Gym Team; Track Team; Chief P.O., R.C.S.C.C. "Cougar" 1954.</p> <p>P. A. NASH (1952) — School Prefect (1953-55).</p> <p>H. D. READ (1950) — School Prefect (1954-55); Captain 1st XV 1954-55; Rugby Colours 1952-53; Cricket Colours 1955; Gym Team; Track Team.</p> <p>H. F. MOWAT (1952)—School Prefect (1954-55).</p> <p>C. T. BATTLE (1950)—School Prefect (Summer Term 1955); 1st XV Rugby Colours 1954-55; Gym Team; Track Team.</p> <p>G. A. B. McGAVIN (1952)—Head of Grove's House (1954-55); 1st XV Rugby Colours 1954-55; 1st Basketball; Cricket XI Colours 1955; Track Team.</p> <p>R. C. SIMSON (1950)—Head of Ripley's House (Summer Term, 1955); 1st XV Rugby Colours 1954-55; Cricket XI Colours 1954; 1st Basketball; Gym Team.</p> | <p>J. V. STEWART (1952)—Head of Lake's House (1954-55); 1st XV Rugby Colours 1954-55; Heavyweight; Boxing Champion 1954-55; Gym Team; Track Team.</p> <p>R. A. DOUGLAS (1950)—Grove's House Prefect (1954-55); Cricket XI Colours 1954; 1st Basketball Colours; 1st XV Rugby Colours 1953-54.</p> <p>G. B. MOFATT (1952)—Lake's House Prefect (1954-55); 1st XV Rugby, 1954-55; Track Team.</p> <p>T. R. ROBERTSON (1950)—Ripley's House Prefect (1954-55); 1st Basketball; Squash Team.</p> <p>J. C. SLICK (1953)—Lake's House Prefect (1954-55); Captain Track Team; Gym Team; 1st XV Rugby Colours 1954-55.</p> <p>J. C. W. MADDEN (1950)—Grove's House Prefect (1954-55); Gym Team.</p> <p>K. B. JONES (1950)—Cricket XI Colours 1955; Squash Team.</p> <p>P. H. HEBB (1950).</p> <p>P. McBEAN (1950).</p> <p>M. M. MACAYA (1952)—1st XV Rugby Colours 1953-54; Gym Team.</p> <p>E. T. KENNEY (1953)—Gym Team.</p> <p>E. A. BURGESS (1952)—1st XV Rugby 1954-55.</p> <p>J. S. POOLE (1952) — Captain, Colts' Rugby 1954-55; Captain, under 16 Basketball, 1954-55.</p> <p>O. FOSTER (1952)—Gym Team.</p> |
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W. M. TRENHOLME (1953).
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 P. G. SLICK (1954).
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 J. JENS (1954).
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 R. LEE (1954).
 I. CHESHER (1954).
 J. MERCER (1953)—Gym Team.

Salvete — September, 1955

GROVES' HOUSE

J. Neal
 J. Larsen
 D. Millar
 M. Waelthi

H. Robertson
 G. Keith
 P. Halse
 T. Burrows

J. Campbell
 C. Greenwood
 B. Pinkerton

LAKE'S HOUSE

J. Keate
 B. Varcoe
 D. Bortles
 B. Caldwell
 W. McDonald
 W. Muller
 B. McKenzie

M. Stewart
 E. Wilson
 C. MacGowan
 G. Brown
 P. Culter
 D. Shannon

D. Abramson
 A. Howe
 R. Hethey
 J. McIntyre
 A. Camp
 M. Nuttall-Smith

RIPLEY'S HOUSE

B. Kelley
 W. Hibbard
 P. Wallace
 A. Farnham

M. Farnham
 D. Longridge
 C. Pentland
 J. Holland

W. Morrison
 P. Stenner
 F. Perraton
 J. Howe

COPEMAN'S HOUSE

M. Fall
 S. Scott
 D. Stewart
 R. Morgan

J. MacDonell
 J. Simpson
 D. Craig
 J. Swanson

R. Fox
 A. Wright
 B. Hall

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Old Boys' Notes

In the summer the Old Boys' Society sent out a clarion call to its members for NEWS, and while, to judge from the the response, not many of our men are biting dogs, the sparks are still flying upwards (block that metaphor!). A long letter came from Michael Bellm (1948-50) who with his brother David (1948-52) has left Saanich and gone with their family business to St. Jean in Quebec. They ran into a bitter Eastern winter, followed by the hottest summer since 1907, and evidently have nostalgic regrets for our mild western climate. (Editor's note: Where was this character in mid-November?). Having driven 3,300 miles across the U.S. and Canada with only one minor fender dent, they

were understandably put out when, a few minutes after they had parked outside their new home in St. Jean, a truck backed up and smashed in the side of their car. Just a quaint old Laurentian custom.

We were sad to receive a report from Ian MacPherson (1935-39) that his brother, Major T. A. MacPherson, R.C.E., (1930-34) died on July 27th, 1955. Ian received an LL.M. in May, 1955, from McGill University after doing post-graduate work at its Institute of International Air Law. W. W. Watson (1930-33) is with Federal Commerce and Navigation Company Limited.

In the services a number of Old Boys are occupying high posts. Captain Phil E. Haddon, R.C.N. (1919-22) formerly Director of Naval Training in Ottawa, is now Chief of Staff, Pacific Command, at H.M.C. Dockyard, Esquimalt. Captain M. J. Stirling (1929-33) is in command of 1,500 men under training at H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" in Nova Scotia, having been on the staff of the Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic in Norfolk, Virginia, for two years—this job gave him much travelling in Europe and attendance at NATO



Top (left and right): LONSDALE'S SCHOOL — 1917

Bottom: EARLY CADET CORPS

Council meetings in Paris. Commander J. R. Doull (1929-32) is Director of Naval Personnel (Men) at Naval Headquarters in Ottawa, and Captain C. Pat Nixon, D.S.C. (1926-33) is Director of Tactics and Staff Duties. Dick Leir (1935-40) and Craig Campbell (1929-35) were both promoted Commander on July 1st, 1955; and Craig Campbell reports that his wife presented him with a second son in May last. He is with NATO in London and Dick Leir is on a staff course at Greenwich.

Tam London is training at Royal Roads, and Derek Brooks at H.M.C.S. "Venture."

We should like to pay particular respect to Captain Owen Robertson (1917-19) on the award presented to him by the Royal Geographical Society for his Northwest passage voyage as the skipper of H.M.C.S. "Labrador." He was awarded the Back Grant, named for the late Admiral Sir George Back, and given annually for "exceptional work by scientific geographers and explorers." The cruise of the "Labrador" through the Northwest Passage marked the first time a navy ship had made the trip; subsequently, she became the first navy ship to circumnavigate the North American continent. We should like to note also, in case this has not been noted before in our magazine, that Captain Robertson is one of seven Canadian navy men who possess the George Medal. He won it for taking command of a burning munition ship in Halifax harbour in 1943 after the crew had abandoned ship. The citation said that his efforts prevented a major explosion in the harbour.

Brigadier S. E. E. Morres (1920-24) is Deputy Quarter Master General, Design and Development, in Ottawa, and now has serving with him Lieut. Colonel Harry J. Lake (1921-28). Brother Lieut. Colonel John F. Lake (1923-33) is in the British Army and was serving in Austria when last heard from. We understand that Lieut. Colonel Jim Groves, R.E. (1920-26) has retired to the country life of an English farm.

Douglas H. Green (1922-29) still works the newspaper racket and is presently on the staff of the Regina Leader-Post. Tom A. Piddington (1925-28) after a spell of teaching in California, has recently settled in Victoria again; his brother, Rev. Michael Piddington (1945-47) has been ordained in the Anglican Church of Canada and will soon be married and in charge of a parish in Northern Ontario.

We had a long letter from H. Archie Turnbull (1918-22), who has spent many years in South Africa and was wounded in Italy in 1944 when serving with the 6th South African Armoured Division. Recently he has moved to Australia, where he lives at a fascinating address called Kissing Point Road, Turramurra, N.S.W. Turnbull reports that he learned a couple of years ago that Hugh Lander (1919-20) was killed in the Pacific war (though whether as a civilian or in the armed forces we do not know), leaving a wife and son. John D. Rockfort (1925-34) writes from Box 904, Mombasa, Kenya, to say he is returning to British Columbia in 1956 after an absence of 20 years, and hopes to pursue his interest in Forestry and Re-forestation here.

In the sports line congratulations are in order for Tom Pearce (1931-40) who won the Canadian Epee Championships last May in Toronto. Also, Ned Larsen (1937-43) went to England last spring as a member of the Canadian Squash Team which played in an international tournament with England and Scotland. His brother Jack Larsen (1921-29) won the Pacific Northwest Veterans' squash tournament last March.

At U.B.C. we have the largest contingent of Old Boys we have had for many years. Hugh Wilkinson (1937-40) continues as an Assistant Professor in the School of Commerce. Studying at the University are John Madden, Barry Dryvynsyde, Willie Bice, Rennie Edgett, Gerald McGavin, John Burr, David Williams, Tucker Battle, David Read, Bob Simson, Hugh Mowat, Peter Hebb, Richard Douglas, Tom Robertson, Peter McBean and George Moffatt. Gerald McGavin is to be congratulated on playing for the Thunderbird rugby team in his freshman year. Rennie Edgett, David Read, David Williams, Richard Douglas and Tucker Battle are also playing rugby on U.B.C. teams.

We understand that John Strathdee is still at McGill, in 3rd year Engineering, and he has now been joined by John Kaye, taking Commerce, who has also turned out regularly for the University rugger XV.

South of the line, Pat Gaffney is attending the University of Washington, where he is studying Radio and Television. Chuck Callahan has graduated from there with a degree in Electrical Engineering and is now with the U.S. Army. Also attending the University of Washington are Lyman Louis, Jeff Pruett, Michael Chadwick and Archie Patrick.

George Wilson and Gerry Berg are at Stanford, and Ernest Pinkerton, having graduated from there, is now an Ensign in the U.S. Navy.

Ronald Obermarck is at West Point and writes how the rigours of Shawnigan life are now serving him well.

Joe Stewart is attending Williamette College in Salem, and Stephen Knight is at Beloit College in Wisconsin.

C. E. "Paddy" Morris (1929-32) a Vancouver barrister, is President of the Old Boys' Society and has been active in keeping up our continuing interest in the school and suggesting visits of Old Boys to Shawnigan where we always receive a very warm welcome. Ken Hanson (1943-47), vice-President, is with T.C.A. and (co-incidence, no doubt) spent his 1955 holidays in Barbados. Barry Dryvynsyde is Secretary; Derek L. Johnston (1926-28), who has completed a strenuous year as President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of B.C., is Treasurer of the Old Boys' Society and of the War Memorial

Society; subscriptions to either of these are received at 1331 Marine Building, Vancouver, B.C., with all the old-world courtesy of a starving jaguar let loose in a butcher's shop. Over fifty Old Boys, and a number of parents, are contributing regularly, some in small amounts and some in large, to the War Memorial Society which has financed some important school expenditures and is endeavouring to build up an endowment fund for scholarships and other projects at the school. Cheques to this worthy and indeed essential cause should be made payable to "Shawnigan Lake School War Memorial Society," and all contributions are deductible from taxable income.

CHAIRS FOR THE BIG SCHOOL

Old Boys who have not already presented chairs for the "Big School" are advised that these can now be obtained from Mr. Carr at the School Hobby Shop, suitably carved with name and years at the school, at a cost of \$25.00. Additional chairs are urgently required to take care of the increasing enrolment at the school.

MARRIAGES

Parke-Swanson—On September 17th, 1955, at Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver; Gordon Parke (1945-49) to Cecile, daughter of Dean and Mrs. Cecil Swanson.

MacInnes-Shaw—On May 10th, 1955; Duncan MacInnes (1947-51) to Molly Lou, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Shaw of Vancouver.



Literary Section

A DESK TOP

It has never been varnished, but someone has tried to correct this omission with disastrous results. It bears upon it the scars of many battles, always between it and a pen, and it has invariably lost. Let us survey its peculiar and characteristic marks.

In the upper left hand corner is someone's name stamped in block letters. Underneath this is the inscription "R.V." Then comes the thirteen-times table, together with an intricate geometric design, the result of painstaking effort.

There are a series of gouges lower down, put there for no apparent purpose except to amuse the gouger. The greater portion of the right hand side is taken up by a diagram illustrating the differences between the American and the European agricultural belts (in blue, the colour of my ink).

Someone has been at work on the edges of the desk. Now they are scalloped like an oyster shell, dented and notched.

These disfigurements interspersed with other markings make it look somewhat less than new. And I am not sure if a conglomeration of French idioms; of ill-assorted words such as "Cyanide," "Smudge," and "Rut"; and of ugly ink-blots add to its already negligible beauty.

—R. C. MALKIN.



CASTLES IN THE AIR

"Castles in the air." Surely it is only in the English language that such a phrase can be found. The French, who are known for their logic, soon realize that a castle in the air is quite impossible. The Germans, who are admittedly an imaginative race, simply shake their heads in pity. Even the Danish, who love folk song and myth, find the expression rather foolish.

In the first place, building a castle in the air must be very difficult unless one makes a habit of practising the art of levitation. Architects tell us that for the construction of any building it is necessary to have a firm foundation. This at once presents a problem. It would, I think, take a fair stretch of the imagination to consider the atmosphere a firm foundation. Another problem that arises (if one assumes that a foundation has been built out of air) is how to keep the castle from shifting. It would be inconvenient for its occupants on returning from a visit to find their ethereal castle had blown away. To anchor it to the ground would hardly be in keeping with "castles in the air." This problem must be left unsolved.

Assuming that construction has been completed, one finds that many inconveniences have arisen for the occupants. The first and most natural problem is how to mount or board this fortress in the sky. If you are a fakir the problem is easily solved—the Indian

rope trick. But in this part of the world fakirs seem to be in the minority. The problem is still unsolved unless, of course, you are extremely wealthy and a helicopter can be obtained. Another problem is the draught through the walls and the floor. This is apt to raise the heating bill and give the inhabitants cold feet.

But let us stop here. I hope that by this time I have dissuaded you from even thinking of building a castle in the air. Frankly it is a waste of time.

Building castles in the air is quite impossible in actual fact. It is possible, however, in the imagination and this is why the expression has meaning. Indeed, if all my castles had been built I should now be better off than a fakir or a Rockefeller.

—J. MADDEN.



THE RIVER AND THE RUINED

A faint breeze rippled the water, sending the rushes and reeds bowing back and forth. Jan stood on the river bank staring out across the stream at the spot where Hungry Pete had died. The soft evening light bathed his face, accentuating the lines and hollows. His hands shook as he filled his pipe and lit it. The bite of the tobacco, instead of being an anaesthetic, provoked his thoughts, and he found himself thinking about the day's happenings. What was the cause of the tragedy? The snag? But he had allowed for that when he judged his drift. Hungry Pete? Certainly Hungry Pete was at fault, but even so, if he had had more time he could have untangled his net. The freighter? damn those profiteering murderers. No matter who was at fault, Jan had lost his net, his means of livelihood. His mind probed further into the past. He remembered the peace and quiet of the evening before.

A duck quacked, and rose, wingtips splashing the water ahead of the boat. Jan looked up. His eyes ran along the row of floats that marked his gill net, to the little raft at the end, whose lantern winked in the gathering dusk. He noted his boat's rate of drift against the shore, glanced up and down channel, and then let his eyes rest on the worn grey planking of his gill netter.

Jan was not interested in the scenery about him. For forty years the river had been his home and his provider during the annual salmon run. But forty years had changed the river as well as Jan. Where once the river ran fast and smooth, supporting the traffic of men and material, it now basked (full of silt and snags) languidly in the last rays of the setting sun. Jan was like this quiet slough; his days of rushing were over, and the marks of the years stood, like the silt and snags of the river, on his weatherbeaten face. Jan was not a thinker of great thoughts, yet in his mind he had summarized the character of the river. It was to him a spiteful woman that could not make up its mind where to go or what to do next; seemingly innocent, yet possessed of the power to destroy.

This evening Jan had been worried. Not a pressing life or death worry, but a gentle ache. It was to do with Lew Khaw the grocer, a man who often advanced credit at his store to needy fishermen. Such had been Jan's fate, and now Lew Khaw was clamouring politely for the money owed him. Of course he would be paid when the annual salmon run arrived and the fishing became better. Lew Khaw was a good fellow, but a trifle impatient. Jan puffed harder on his pipe when he thought about this.

The ferry whistled, and Jan decided to pull his net. He ducked into the tiny pilot-house, and soon the unhurried chug of his engine rang out across the water. He came out of the pilot-house, clambered into the stern cockpit, reached for a lever, and the net drum began slowly to revolve. Each float whacked the stern roller as it came over the side. Jan could see the mesh as it trailed away into the turbid water, and, as he watched, the strands tightened and a fish appeared, entangled in the wily meshes of the net. Jan unravelled it and stood gazing at it for a moment before he let it fall to his feet. It was a fresh-run sockeye salmon, with the deep-sea silver still resplendent on its sleek sides. Jan took six more such fish from the net, tossed them into the hatch and whirled a bucket of water over the deck.

He stood for a while, gazing out across the river and marsh. The reeds made a dark line against the silver of the stream. The cottonwoods and poplars, silhouetted against the sky, looked like a row of giants bending over the river. Their branches waved, and the wind brought a smell of wood smoke and rotting vegetation to his nostrils. From the farm across the river came the sound of a cow lowing, and somewhere beyond the marsh a dog barked. Jan shivered and the motion awoke him from his reverie, and realizing that his engine had died, he went into the pilot-house to start it. The engine running once more, he swung the helm over and headed the boat down-river to Ladner.

A row of piles rose out of the gloom. Jan cut his engine speed, and the boat glided into a little float at the base of the piles. He touched the reverse, there was a brief whine

and the boat came to a smooth halt. Shutting off the engine, he stepped out on the float, seized the lines, and made fast. He looked around, listened to the lap of the waves against the pilings, and climbed the ramp to the wharf above.

He walked to a street corner, and standing in the glare of a street lamp, he pondered whether to go home or to Lew Khow's. He chose the Chinese store on the excuse that he could tell him that the fishing was better. Crossing the street, he walked briskly the length of the block and stopped in front of a small shop. It bore the name "Lew Khow—Grocer" in faded gold letters which reflected dimly the light from across the street. All the available woodwork was cluttered up with tin placards, which were chipped and dented by time and weather. The window held an assortment of vegetables and last year's Hallowe'en fireworks. A loose sheet of newspaper rattled about Jan's feet; he kicked it aside and walked in.

An old Chinaman sat behind the counter, idly drumming his fingers on the change mat. He peered up, his gold-rimmed spectacles bouncing the light emitted by a single light bulb in the ceiling. He said nothing but stared into Jan's eyes, his smooth face turned upwards in an expression of expectation. Jan fiddled with his cap, shifted from one foot to the other and said, with a suddenness which startled himself, "I caught seven fish tonight." His eyes avoided the Oriental's and hovered over the shelves, falling on the basket of eggs at the Chinaman's elbow.

Lew Khow studied his visitor and then a trace of a smile appeared on his features. He replied with a long drawn out, "Yes?"

The sound of his voice made Jan look up. The coarseness of his own face was reflected in the smooth Oriental one. Jan was aware of it and it added to his discomfort. He faltered and then said, "They were all fresh run, too." He added, as if to clear himself in the Chinaman's eyes, "The run can't be very far off. I heard from Maurice that they were getting them in the Gulf."

Lew Khow considered this, took off his glasses, polished them, and said, "Yes, that is true, yes, maybe." His voice had a wistful sound, a sighing quality which gave him the air of a Confucius. He went on and the tone of his voice lost its ethereal quality and became hard. "You owe me money. Why you not pay me?"

Jan made a little gesture of weariness but the watchful eyes of Lew Khow held him and he continued, "You need a tank of gas. I know. I know you not pay me long time. Why?" The Chinese leaped to his feet and stood quivering over the counter.

Jan stood still, his eyes downcast. "Lew Khow, I didn't come here to tell you about the fishing, I came to ask if I could have a little bread and bacon to keep me going. I'll pay you when the fishing is better." Lew Khow sank back into his chair, a faint smile playing across his lips. Presently he rose, brought the articles and placed them on the counter, tossing a packet of tobacco and a chocolate bar beside them. Jan murmured, "Thanks, Lew Khow." But the old Chinaman had again seated himself and was absorbed in his thoughts. He did not look up when the bell tinkled softly, marking Jan's departure.

The next day was cloudless with a southwest wind rippling the river, sending little pulsating flashes of light from each wavelet. The light was harsh, and the cottonwoods along the bank appeared almost grey instead of silvery green. Jan sat on the wharf, beside his boat, carefully inspecting his net, which he had spread out on the racks. His fingers worked nimbly as he mended the rips and the tears. As the tide was still flooding there was no point in fishing until it turned.

An engine coughed, caught hold, a clutch wined in reverse and a gill netter swung into the channel. Jan recognized the man at the wheel as Hungry Peter, a Portuguese, who was an eager, if unsuccessful, fisherman. It rankled Jan when he thought about Hungry Pete. He remembered the day Hungry Pete had set his net across Jan's bow and prevented him from towing his net free of the snag above the ferry slip. It had nearly cost Jan his net.

Having arrived at the fishing grounds, Jan leaned out over the side of the boat and dropped the raft into the water. He paid out a few yards of net by hand to ensure that all ran freely, and then climbed into the pilot-house and kicked in the clutch. The boat swung away from the bank, the net paying out over the stern. Jan ran straight for the opposite bank and then, when he was two hundred yards off shore, turned and ran downstream until his net was in a huge curve. Then he shut off his engine and climbed out on deck. If he had timed his drift accurately he would be pulling his net just as that freighter, which was coming down river, was parallel with the ferry slip. That would give him plenty of time. He checked to make sure his judging was correct and seated himself on the deck. He did not see Hungry Pete pull away from the ferry slip, where

ne had awaited the turn of the tide. Before Jan had noticed, the Portuguese had made a similar set about one hundred yards upstream.

Jan cursed the other boat under his breath, partly out of annoyance, partly out of spite. This was just like Hungry Pete, always afraid that he would miss some good fishing. Jan muttered on, unaware that his net was slowly being stretched taut.

Something in the motion of the boat made Jan glance up. He jumped to his feet. He was snagged. His first thought was to start the engine, and as he ran into the pilot-house he saw Hungry Pete's boat drifting down on his, looking like an idiotic duck as it bobbed in the waves. Jan shouted. No answer. It was then that he saw the freighter bearing down on them. Even as he looked, four puffs of steam belched out of the whistle and a moment later the sound burst forth. The unmistakable warning of "Clear channel." Jan knew that the ship was unable to stop in the narrow channel, nor could it manoeuvre.

The engine chose to be balky, and by the time Jan had it started Hungry Pete was close alongside. Jan raced for the deck, and stepping out, a smashing jar threw him on to sharp coaming. Hungry Pete was on deck, gesticulating and swearing in Portuguese. Jan ignored him. He rushed aft and threw the net drum into motion. The drum reeled in a few yards of net, pulling the boats backwards. A fold of Hungry Pete's net caught in Jan's and the machinery ground to a halt. Jan threw out the clutch and looked up. The freighter was no more than seventy-five yards away and bearing down fast. An officer was on the bow, yelling and waving in a freuzy. Jan screamed at the Portuguese to cut his net and run. His only answer was more cursing. Jan drew his knife and slashed at the net. It parted at last and the end slipped over the stern. He flew into the pilot-house, kicked in the clutch, and the boat moved into safety.

Jan looked over his shoulder, expecting to see Hungry Pete alongside. Instead, he was standing on the deck of his boat, still shouting, directly in the path of the ship. Jan gasped with horror as the sharp bow of the freighter sliced into the boat, crushing it and rolling it over. Even worse was the scream of terror uttered by Hungry Pete as he was flung into the foaming bow wave, to disappear in the current.

The freighter swept relentlessly along, men rushed along the deck towards the stern, as if trying to stop the thrashing propeller, for in that turmoil nothing could survive. As soon as the ship had passed, Jan swung his boat around, heedless of the wash, and raced for the scene of the collision. Bits of wreckage floated about and to one of these clung Hungry Pete. Jan dragged him aboard. As he laid him on the deck he recoiled in horror. The man's legs were gone. The few last feeble spurts of his life stream reddened the deck and Jan was still gazing when the man shuddered and died.

A flood of tears burst forth from Jan. He wondered why he was crying, the man had never been his friend. But he could not stop himself. He was still sobbing when he turned the boat and headed for Ladner. It was not until he had reached Ladner and had carried the mangled form of Hungry Pete to where an ambulance was waiting that Jan realized that his net had gone under the freighter, too. It, as well as the life of Hungry Pete, was gone forever.

A faint breeze rippled the water, sending the rushes and reeds bowing back and forth. Jan stood on the bank of the Fraser, staring across the muddy stream. He tried to dismiss the thoughts from his mind but it was as if his intellect was owned by someone else. "You are broke now," he thought. "Who broke you?" The question snapped something in the back of his mind. He realized the spirit at fault. It was not the snag, Hungry Pete, nor the freighter. It was the river, the placid stream, hiding in its deceptive currents the snag which caught his net. It was the river which brought Hungry Pete on to Jan's boat, it was the river that killed Hungry Pete. It was the river that ruined him, he, Jan of the forty years. He gazed in revulsion at the brown water. In the ripples he saw a myriad of sneering, hateful faces. Jan turned and walked away, he would go to Lew Khow's. Lew Khow would understand. Behind him he heard the water lapping at the shore. The river was laughing.

—F. M. BOYCE.



Games Supplement

1st RUGBY XV



Back Row: R. C. Simson, R. Cooper, R. A. Douglas, C. T. Battle, B. N. McGavin, K. A. Greenwood, B. Cuppage, R. W. Brown.

Sitting: G. A. B. McGavin, C. D. Brooks, H. D. Read, J. A. Kaye, J. V. Stewart.

Front Row: J. C. Slick, M. M. Macaya

RUGBY 1954-1955 — 1st XV

It is pleasant to look back upon a most successful season. Although we failed to win either of the St. George's matches, we made them struggle their hardest to preserve their unbeaten record. It must be seldom that two schools had two such good teams during the same season. University School, though heavier, were no match for us and we beat them easily twice. We were victorious also over Victoria High School, Oak Bay High School, Victoria College, Oak Bay Wanderers, J.B.A.A. Seconds, and the Old Boys; we managed to tie H.M.C.S. "Venture," though with a determined effort we could have won as we outplayed them during most of the game. Our only other defeat came at the hands of Oak Bay High School, to whom we had no right to lose.

Oddly enough the 1st XV was a better balanced side before Christmas when we were missing both David Read, our Captain, and John Kaye. During Easter Term the team never recaptured its early season form, although it played well and gave a good account of itself.

Our strength lay in an active pack of forwards who kept themselves fit and were seldom far from the ball in a game. They were well led by Joe Stewart and Gerald McGavin, while Bob Cooper and Tucker Battle were in the thick of every fray. Our backfield, though not lacking in speed, did not develop into a powerful scoring unit. Here the trouble lay at stand-off and centre where we had players of the useful rather than the brilliant variety. Jack Slick, on the left wing, was by far our most consistent scorer, where his speed and elusiveness proved the undoing of more than one defence; he fell away sadly, however, towards the end of the season and seemed to lose that extra zip which had marked his play before Christmas. Brooks, who is really a wing, played very hard at centre and never disappointed us. He lacks that little bit of imagination which would make him into a really great player; although he scored some beautiful tries, his value lay more in defence than in attack. The other centre position was never really decided upon, and having tried out many players for that place, we finally settled on Bobby Simson. Macaya at scrum-half played very well in some matches, but was another who was guilty of fading away towards the end of the season. In Burke Cuppage at stand-off we have a player of great possibility. Last season was a difficult one for him and, although he has much to learn, he has the necessary ability and should be a tower of strength in the future. Kent Greenwood at full-back came through the season with flying

colours. At the moment he likes to run with the ball, an endeavour which is rather alarming at times, but as he seldom is caught in possession, one has to forgive him. His kicking was accurate and his tackling good.

In brief, then, what success the team enjoyed was largely due to the forwards. They were a well-knit unit and were never beaten as a pack the entire season. It was they who kept us within striking distance of St. George's in each of the matches we had against them, and it was they who managed to keep that team's powerful backfield in check. They had spirit and drive, and made 22 of the 50 tries that the team scored.

As for next season, the prospects would appear to be fairly good as five of last year's 1st XV are due to return.

Characters

- K. GREENWOOD**—Full-back. An enthusiastic and courageous player; his tackling and handling were excellent and his kicking improved steadily. Inclined to run with the ball instead of kicking to touch.
- J. SLICK** (Colours 1954-55)—Left wing. Despite his small stature he proved himself to be the strongest and fastest of our three-quarters, using a swerve with telling effect. His handling was weak as was his kicking, and while not a devastating tackler, his defence was adequate.
- C. D. BROOKS** (Colours 1952-53)—Centre three-quarter; Vice-Captain. Speedy and elusive. Perhaps his forte was defence, where he saved many a nasty situation with a timely tackle or an accurate kick to touch. Always keen and alert, he never played a poor game.
- R. BROWN**—Right wing. Although somewhat inexperienced he improved steadily towards the end of the season. He runs with drive and once he improves his handling and passing will be very dangerous on the attack. Sound on defence, but weak in kicking.
- R. SIMSON** (Colours 1954-55)—Centre three-quarter. A talented player who never quite realized his potential although playing very well in some matches. He could do everything well, but seemed to lack confidence.
- B. CUPPAGE**—Stand-off. The youngest member of the side; he shows great promise. At the moment the only weakness in his game, other than inexperience, is his defence.
- M. MACAYA** (Colours 1954-55)—Scrum-half. He rapidly became a very good attacking player and could break away from the base of the scrum very well. His passing to the stand-off was not always too accurate. He played particularly well in the Christmas Term, but was not so effective afterwards. Very sound tackle and handler.
- C. T. BATTLE** (Colours 1954-55)—Front row forward. He developed very quickly into a most determined player and a first-rate forward. A tireless worker both in the tight and the loose, he was a grand tackler and the best faller on the team. He also excelled in the lineouts.
- R. A. DOUGLAS** (Colours 1953-54)—Hooker. He played much better at the end of the season than at the beginning. His value lay in his experience and good positioning. He had a sound knowledge of the game and, while not as aggressive as some of the other forwards, he was always well up with the ball, endeavouring to keep the movement going. His tackling was his greatest weakness.
- B. N. MCGAVIN**—Front-row forward. After moving to the scrum from centre three-quarter he improved with every game. His size, speed and strength made him a great asset to an already aggressive pack. He will be a tower of strength next season.
- R. COOPER** (Colours 1953-54)—Wing forward. Tireless, fit, aggressive, weak only in kicking, and capable of filling in at any position, he never played poorly. He was particularly adept at smothering either of the opposing half-backs and pouncing on any dropped passes.
- G. A. MCGAVIN** (Colours 1954-55)—2nd row forward. Our "heavyweight"; he used his size with intelligence and his height with telling effect in the lineouts. He improved with every match and became one of the pillars around which the scrum was built.
- J. V. STEWART** (Colours 1954-55)—2nd row forward. Perhaps the best forward amongst a fine pack. A grand worker both in the tight and the loose; a devastating tackler and faller, his only weakness was his kicking, which luckily he was not called upon to demonstrate.
- H. D. READ** (Colours 1952-53)—Wing forward, (Captain). Unfortunately injured most of the season he came back into the side late in the Easter Term, so never was up to his last year's good form. This was a great pity as we were counting on some good attacking play and robust tackling from him.

J. A. KAYE (Colours 1953-54)—Last man. Also injured a good part of the season. His height was a great asset in the lineouts and his speed made him dangerous in the loose. He would have scored some more good tries had he learned to control his dribbling of the rolling ball.



2nd RUGBY XV



Standing: I. Beardmore, E. T. Kenney, I. B. Robertson, L. Bortles, S. Perry,
T. R. Robertson, C. Crisp, O. Foster.

Sitting: M. M. Kaye, R. Vandersluys, G. B. Moffatt, E. D. G. Smith, J. C. W. Madden,
Front Row: C. J. Kyles, J. Armstrong.

In some ways the 2nd XV were even more successful than the 1st XV. They lost only one match, the game with the H.M.C.S. "Venture" 2nd XV, who out-weighted our side. With this one exception the Seconds never failed to make a score of double figures. They played, moreover, a very attractive brand of rugby, the forwards being well together and the backs running with abandon. Theirs was a well-balanced side and the scoring was fairly evenly divided between the forwards and the backs. No fewer than 14 players scored during the season, and in the heavy defeat of University School John Madden must have created something of a record when he made six tries. The other wing, John Armstrong, was also dangerous on the attack. These two were given the ball often by two unselfish and steady centres, Ed. Kenney and Colin Crisp. Ralph Vandersluys at stand-off was perhaps the star of the team, for he could score in a great variety of ways and his kicking, though it lacked accuracy, had good length. A great deal of credit must go to Orval Foster, who filled the difficult position of scrum-half most admirably. The forwards, like their elder brothers on the 1st XV, were grand. They were always too aggressive for the opposition except in the match against "Venture." Burgess I and Robertson I did the hooking most successfully and they were well held up by Bortles. The second row, consisting of George Moffatt and Michael Kaye, gave the scrum a solidity reminiscent of a tank. Beardmore and Smith were two lively breaks, while Perry, who improved with every game, was an ideal "last man."

One important reason for the success of this team was that they never allowed the 1st XV in practice games to roll over them. Consequently they found their matches a great deal easier than their practices.

By virtue of two substantial victories against St. George's School 2nd XV, our 2nd XV were largely responsible for the winning of the Ferrie Trophy, despite the narrow losses sustained by the 1st XV against the superior St. George's side. Now that this cup has been brought over to Shawnigan it is hoped that it can be kept here.

2nd XV Characters

- G. MOFFATT**—2nd row forward (Captain 2nd XV). An experienced player who captained the side very well during the season. He has weight and strength which he uses to advantage and all he really lacks is "fire."
- M. KAYE**—2nd row forward. An opportunist, he scored some good tries; however, unless he improves his defence, he will always be a liability to his team. He is big, fast and strong, and has the ability to become a really good player.
- E. G. SMITH**—Wing forward. He had a very good season and on the occasions that he turned out for the 1st XV he gave a good account of himself. A hard working, fit type of player, he was always on the ball and was usually the first to reach a dropped pass. Tackling and handling good, kicking fair.
- S. PERRY**—Last man. The best forward on the side and the most improved. He always played hard and aggressively and was at the head of every loose rush. He excelled in the line-outs and pushed his weight in the set-scrams. He will be a very good forward next season, when he ought to have an excellent year.
- C. KYLES**—Full-back. Played extremely well until he broke his ankle against University School. Tackled soundly and fell when necessary; fielded and kicked intelligently. Still inexperienced, but improving with every match.
- J. C. MADDEN**—Right wing. His speed and experience were generally too much for the opposition, and he managed to score 14 tries in the eight matches. Had we not had two good wings on the 1st XV he would have gained a regular position on that side.
- E. KENNEY**—Centre three-quarter (Vice-Captain). A hard-tackling and hard-running player whose main fault was his poor handling and mediocre kicking. He set the example in every match by more than bottling up his opposite number.
- C. CRISP**—Centre three-quarter. He made some beautiful openings for his wings, but lacked self-confidence and was a little on the slow side. His handling, tackling and kicking were satisfactory.
- J. ARMSTRONG**—Left wing. Another strong running and elusive player who tackled well. His main fault lay in a tendency to cut in when running and thus spoiling many a movement.
- R. VANDERSLUYS**—Stand-off. A very gifted player who could be relied on to do the unexpected. With his scoring of tries and kicking ability, he was the leading scorer on the side. He ran very powerfully, if not always wisely, kicked for great distances, if not always accurately, and tackled hard if he felt like it. He should be a most useful acquisition for next season.
- O. FOSTER**—Scrum-half. Worked up an intelligent understanding with his stand-off and understood the game well enough to lead the forwards sensibly during a match. He could do everything adequately and will become a very good player. In his one match for the 1st XV he showed that he was not out of his class.
- L. BORTLES**—Front row forward. A newcomer to rugby, he learned the game quickly and soon became a very hard-working forward. He was more effective at close quarters than in the loose where his handling was not of the finest.
- T. ROBERTSON**—Hooker. A good hooker who always obtained more than his share of the ball. His handling and kicking were sound but he did not revel in the hurly-burly of the loose scrums; however, he had sufficient games' sense and experience to be a useful forward.
- I. ROBERTSON**—Front row forward. A methodical and efficient forward, whose play improved with every game. Once he gets a little more "devil" into his efforts, his usefulness will increase. He has a sound knowledge of the requirements of an all-round forward.
- I. BEARDMORE**—Wing forward. A very promising young player who developed rapidly as the season wore on. He has good hands, tackles well, and has the knack of being in the right spot at the right time. Should be a most useful acquisition next season.





Shawnigan vs. Oak Bay Wanderers "B"—October 30th; Home; Won 20-3

Although there were signs of polish in the play of the backfield, the all-round superiority of the forwards won the day. Macaya and Cuppage combined so well that Macaya scored two tries on the blind side. Cooper, Slick I and Stewart scored tries, but Brooks failed to convert them. He did, however, score one penalty goal. McGavin I, Cooper, Battle and Stewart played well, while Perry and Knight were not far behind.

Shawnigan vs. Old Boys' XV—November 7th; Home; Won 22-6

A well-played match against the Old Boys resulted in a resounding victory for the School. During the first half the play was even. For the School tries were scored by Slick I and Stewart, and a penalty goal was kicked by Brooks. For the Old Boys Bice went over for a try and Butt kicked a penalty goal. Thus the score at half-time was 9-6 for the School.

After half-time the School made thirteen points without reply. Two of the tries, the one by McGavin I and the other by Battle, were the results of fine movements in which eight or nine players handled the ball. The Old Boys seemed to lack drive and cohesion amongst their forwards, but their backs ran strongly and nearly always looked dangerous. Their playing, however, lacked finish and their scoring movements on this account came to nought.

Shawnigan vs. University—November 13th; Home; Won 26-8

Despite a very wet field and a lop-sided score, the game was even until the final fifteen minutes when the School scored fourteen points. The forwards paved the way for victory; they played robustly and aggressively. Battle, Slick I, Kaye II, Brooks and Stewart I all scored tries.

Shawnigan vs. St. George's—November 20th; Away; Lost 10-14

The field was comparatively dry and a keen game ensued which ended in a narrow loss. For the first ten minutes play was confined to the St. George's twenty-five. The pressure, however, was relieved when St. George's broke away to our twenty-five and scored a penalty goal. Although we had the edge in the forward pack, we could not get the ball back from the set scrums and every time St. George's fast backfield got the ball the situation looked dangerous. A good forward rush brought the ball to St. George's ten-yard line. Shortly afterwards we scored when Slick I and the forwards dribbled the ball across the line and McGavin I fell on it. Brooks converted the try and made the score 5-3, where it remained until half-time.

After half-time the School stormed the St. George's line but failed to score. Soon afterwards, because of momentary hesitation on our part, St. George's broke through, scored and converted. Within a few minutes they crossed our line again but failed to convert the try; the score was now 5-11. Back we came but to no avail because St. George's cleared with a seventy-five yard kick into touch. From the resulting line-out and scrum our line was crossed. We drove hard and in the final minute of the game Macaya went over for a try. Brooks converted and the score was 10-14. Everyone played an excellent game; Stewart I, McGavin I and Macaya were awarded their colours.

Shawnigan vs. University School—November 24th; Away; Won 22-6

We were clearly the better team in every department of the game. The experiment of bringing Robertson I in as hooker proved successful. In the first half Brooks, Macaya, Slick I and McGavin II scored tries; of these Brooks and Simson converted one each.

In the second half we slackened off somewhat and, taking advantage of this, University School scored a penalty goal. Kaye II crossed our opponents' line but the try was not converted. Greenwood, the scorer of the last try, received the ball from Brooks, who had made a beautiful run. University School picked up their final three points with a penalty goal at the end of the game. The School team played well, particularly the forwards, who were always up with the ball.

Shawnigan vs. Victoria College—November 27th; Home; Won 5-0

We were clearly the better side and should have won by a greater margin as we spent three-quarters of the game in our opponents' half. Our three-quarters, lacking the injured Cuppage, were not the attacking force they once were, and experiment as we would, we could not hit on a successful combination. The try was scored when Brian McGavin cross-kicked from the wing into the forwards, and Battle, Gerald McGavin, Stewart and Slick I rushed for the line. Stewart scored and Brooks converted.

The second half became a forward battle with ours holding the edge. Victoria College missed a very easy penalty goal and the score remained 5-0.

Shawnigan vs. James Bay II—December 3rd; Home; Won 12 - 0

Our opponents were much larger and tougher than expected, but they were unfamiliar with the game. We were able to take advantage of their mistakes if we did not have the strength or stamina to deal with them on equal terms. All scoring took place in the first half. Brooks, Slick and Douglas scored tries and Brooks ended the scoring by kicking a penalty goal.

The second half was less interesting, but James Bay were only prevented from scoring by good defensive work on Greenwood's part.

Shawnigan vs. Oak Bay Wanderers—December 10th; Away; Lost 5 - 28

As Oak Bay were unable to field their second team we played their first side. That we were defeated was largely due to a horrible opening fifteen minutes, in which the opposition scored nineteen points. The opposition's speedy running and crisp passing were responsible for their tries. After the fatal opening moments we settled down and held them to three more tries while scoring one ourselves. Altogether it was a very good experience for the team and stood them in good stead for the Lent Term matches. The inclusion of our captain, David Read, and John Kaye, neither of whom had up to this point managed to play a single game, proved a valuable aid.

Shawnigan vs. Victoria High School—January 19th; Home; Won 27 - 3

We scored thirteen points in the first five minutes, and Victoria High School never quite recovered. Slick and Brian McGavin scored a try each and Brooks converted them both. Slick went over again and we led 13-0. Macaya scored one of his "sneaks" from a five-yard scrum, and John Kaye made his first try of the season. Neither was converted. The score was 19-0.

Play slacked off after half-time and our opponents settled down, showing that they had a good set of forwards although a weak backfield. Brooks scored a good try and Cuppage converted. Slick scored his third try of the game, but it remained unconverted. At the last moment an opposing forward broke from the loose and scored. The convert went wide and the final score was 27-3. Slick I was awarded his School Colours.

Shawnigan vs. H.M.C.S. "Venture"—January 29th; Away; Drawn 0 - 0

"Venture" showed us that they were learning quickly and played with enthusiasm. We tried Burgess I as hooker and were rewarded with the ball fairly consistently in the set scrums. In the first half, Brooks had three attempts at penalty goals; all difficult, and all missed. Cuppage and Cooper came close to scoring and Slick "knocked on" when he was in the clear. "Venture" nearly scored in the first half when Brooks was forced to touch down for a twenty-five.

The second half was much the same as the first. The backs bogged down in the heavy field and the forwards were very evenly matched; "Venture" had superior push, but we dominated the loose scrums. Both sides had good chances to score, but solid defensive work stopped them.

Shawnigan vs. Victoria High School—February 2nd; Away; Won 22 - 0

Our return match with Victoria High School was won just as easily as the first; our forwards dominating the line-outs and loose scrums. We were missing Macaya and Cooper for this game, but Foster filled in ably at scrum-half, and Read played his second match of the season. Brown, Slick, Stewart, Battle and Brooks scored twice and Brooks converted two.

Shawnigan vs. St. George's—February 12th; Macdonald Park; Lost 3 - 8

The forwards held the edge over St. George's forwards, but their backs were more effective than ours. We got off to a bad start when Young scooped the ball from among five or six Shawnigan players and went for a try. Tynan made the kick.

The second half was Shawnigan's. Slick scored a blind-side try which was not converted. The only reason why we did not score again was because of good defensive play by St. George's and unimaginative play by us. We were fortunate to stop Tynan's near-try, but a minute later Young, of St. George's, kicked a beautiful field goal. We came close to crossing their line twice but the game ended with the score 3-8 for St. George's.

Shawnigan vs. Oak Bay High School—February 16th; Away; Won 8 - 0

We should have scored more points, but we failed to make the most of our opportunities. The forwards played well, but the backfield was not at its best. Slick and John Kaye scored the only two tries, and Brooks converted the first.

Shawnigan vs. Oak Bay High School—February 23rd; Home; Lost 6-8

The forwards worked hard, and gave the backs the ball, but the backs could not finish off their movements. Douglas and Brooks scored but neither was converted. Oak Bay took advantage of our sloppy play, and scored two tries, one being converted. Not wishing to detract from our opponent's well-earned win, one would say that the loss was a clear case of the better team throwing a game away.

RESULTS OF 1st XV MATCHES

Oct. 30	Oak Bay Wanderers	Home	Won	20 - 3
Nov. 7	Old Boys XV	Home	Won	22 - 6
Nov. 13	University School	Home	Won	26 - 8
Nov. 20	St. George's	Away	Lost	10 - 14
Nov. 24	University School	Away	Won	22 - 6
Nov. 27	Victoria College	Away	Won	5 - 0
Dec. 3	James Bay A.A. II	Home	Won	12 - 0
Dec. 10	Oak Bay Wanderers	Away	Won	Default
Jan. 19	Victoria High School	Home	Won	27 - 3
Jan. 29	"Venture"	Away	Drew	0 - 0
Feb. 2	Victoria High School	Away	Won	22 - 0
Feb. 12	St. George's	Away	Lost	3 - 8
Feb. 16	Oak Bay High School	Away	Won	8 - 0
Feb. 23	Oak Bay High School	Home	Lost	6 - 8

Summary

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points
League	6	6	0	0	85 - 17
Overall	13	10	3	1	183 - 56
Slick	13 tries, 39 points				
Brooks	7 tries, 37 points (goals, converts)				
Macaya	7 tries, 21 points				
Stewart	6 tries, 18 points				

Every member scored points. Colours were awarded to:—McGavin I, Stewart I, Macaya, Slick I, Battle and Simson.



2nd XV — RUGBY

Shawnigan vs. University School

The 2nd XV enjoyed a comfortable win over the University School 2nds in their first game of the season. Madden led the scoring with two tries, whilst Crisp and Knight 1 each made a try and Vandersluys kicked a penalty goal. The final score was 15-0.

Shawnigan vs. St. George's School

The 2nd XV continued their good work of the previous Saturday and trounced St. George's 2nds 19-0. Although they were outweighed and outpushed in the set scrums, superior team-work gave our team the lead. It was entirely due to their win that Shawnigan gained the Ferrie Cup.

Shawnigan vs. University School

The return match against University School resulted in a whopping victory for us with a score of 56-3. From the starting whistle to the end the team played very well and the opposition, although they kept trying, were completely baffled by the good play. Madden was the top scorer with 6 tries.

Shawnigan vs. Victoria High School

Another clear-cut victory resulted from this match, although our opponents gave us a much stiffer battle than the 21-0 score suggests. In the first half several tries were thrown away because of careless play; but the team played much better in the second half, scoring 12 of the 21 points.

Shawnigan vs. H.M.C.S. "Venture"

The game was a most disappointing one and the 2nds lost their first game, 0-11. Throughout, the team played listlessly, allowing their opponents to be the aggressors and dictate the play. Even though "Venture" were older and larger it was but their second

match, whilst we had been playing for a whole season and had four victories under our belts.

Shawnigan vs. Victoria High School

We returned to our winning ways at Victoria High, although by not so large a margin as we should have had. The opposition had improved since our first encounter and we had to work for the final score of 14 - 6.

Shawnigan vs. St. George's

A much stronger St. George's team was beaten in this return match by a score of 17 - 3. We took some time to settle down and soon were three points behind when St. George's kicked an easy penalty goal. However, play and spirits increased rapidly and it soon became evident that we were the better team. Once again the 2nds were responsible for obtaining the Ferrie Cup.

Shawnigan vs. Oak Bay High School

The fact that our opponents had a large number of beginners playing caused the game to deteriorate to a very low standard. We were clearly superior throughout and scored pretty much at our will after a poor first half. The final score was 33 - 0.

The return game against Oak Bay High School was very much the same as the previous one. Once again we proved too good for them, despite fielding a weaker team, and won 27 - 3. This made a total of 8 wins out of 9 games, an extremely successful season.

RESULTS OF 2nd XV MATCHES

Nov. 13	University School	Away	Won	15 - 0
Nov. 20	St. George's School	Home	Won	19 - 0
Nov. 24	University School	Home	Won	56 - 3
Jan. 19	Victoria High School	Home	Won	21 - 0
Jan. 29	"Venture"	Away	Lost	0 - 11
Feb. 2	Victoria High School	Away	Won	14 - 6
Feb. 12	St. George's School	Away	Won	17 - 3
Feb. 16	Oak Bay High School	Away	Won	33 - 0
Feb. 23	Oak Bay High School	Home	Won	27 - 3

Summary

P.	W.	L.	D.	Points
9	8	1	0	202 - 26

Madden—14 tries, 42 points.

Vandersluys—11 tries, 1 drop, 7 converts; 56 points.



Track and Field

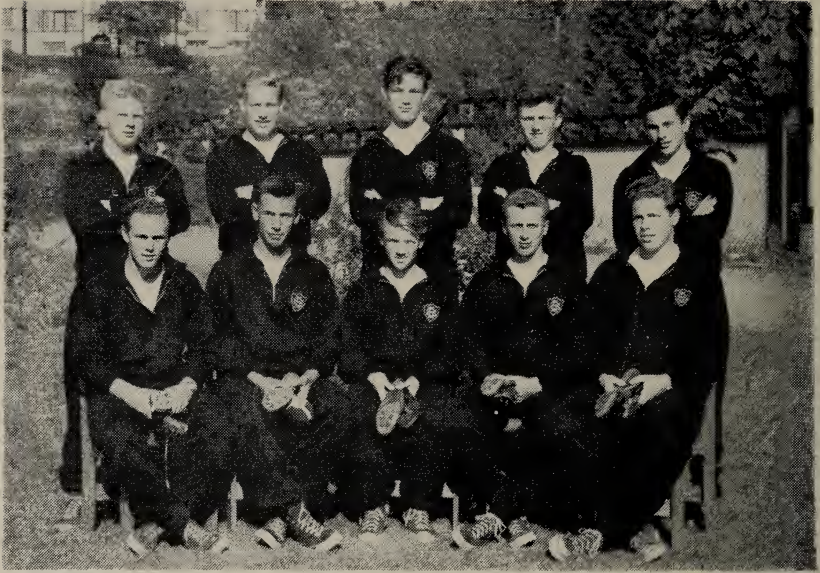
Holding the inter-House Track and Field Competition early in the Christmas Term proved to be a success. The fact that six School records were broken in the senior events proved that the standard was high. A system of "Standards" was inaugurated and it proved to be of great interest. The "standards" were set in every event in each age group, a mark not too difficult to reach for the ordinary athlete but hard enough so that training would be necessary to attain it. One point was awarded for a standard.

Naturally the greatest interest centred around the open events. Slick I won the sprints by a close margin over Brooks, both of whom broke the old record in the 440. In the mile Cooper, the winner, and Kaye I ran a fine race and both broke the record in this event. Kaye I, who proved himself an all-rounder, broke the high jump record when he cleared 5' 3". McGavin I, with a discus throw of 114' 9½" set a new mark in this event.

Perhaps the keenest competition of all came in the under 16 events, where Brown I, Cuppage, Madden, McGavin II and Perry contested all events most hotly. Brown I proved to be the individual champion in this group, beating Cuppage and McGavin II by a single point.

In the under 14 events it was a battle between Mead-Robins and Brighton, the latter always managing to beat his rival.

TRACK AND FIELD TEAM



Standing: R. Cooper, B. N. McGavin, C. T. Battie, B. Cuppage, H. D. Read.
Sitting: G. B. Moffatt, J. A. Kaye, J. C. Slick, C. D. Brooks, G. A. B. McGavin.

In the points for "standards," Kaye I and Brooks led the seniors with 10 points and 9 points respectively; in the under 16' group Crisp and Cuppage both had 9 points; and Brighton and Mead-Robins each had 6 points amongst the under 14 competitors. As Kaye I was the only boy to reach the standard in every event it was fitting that his all-round ability won him the Victor Ludorum Cup with a total of 31 points. Slick I came second with 24 points.

In the under 12 events Bellm was victorious in every race.

Groves' House won the inter-House Cup by amassing 221 points; Ripley's had 195 points, and Lake's 177 points.



"A RECORD JUMP"

TRACK AND FIELD MEET

On Friday, June 3rd, the School track team competed against a team from H.M.C.S. "Venture." Though it was a rainy and miserable afternoon, the meet provoked enthusiasm not only in those entering the events but also amongst the spectators who lined the playing field at Shawnigan.

The scoring, based on a 3, 2, 1 point system for first, second and third respectively, gave the School a total of 32 points to Venture's 14. Although our victory appeared to be one-sided, the races were all close and our victory was largely due to better conditioning. As "Venture" tackled our team after only two weeks of training they really did very well.

Jack Slick and John Kaye were the stars of the meet; each won two events. The former won both the 100-yard dash and the 440, and Kaye won both the jumps. In fact the only event which the School did not manage to win was the mile in which Cuppage, though he did not place, broke the under 16 record with a time of 5 minutes 28.3 seconds.

The following is a table of events, winners and times:—

100 yards

Slick	10.6
Matheson	10.8
McIntosh	10.9
Brooks	11

440 yards

Slick I	55.6
Matheson	56.5
McIntosh	57.3
Brooks	58.1

Mile

Gurr	5 mins. 3 secs.
Littlefair	5 mins. 9 secs.
Cooper	5 mins. 14 secs.
Cuppage	5 mins. 28 secs.

High Jump

Kaye I	5' 3"
Battle	5' 2"
Logan	5' 2"
Graham	4' 6"

Shot Putt

Moffatt	36' 6"
Read	32' 10"
Arnold	32' 4"
Hallas	30' 6"

Broad Jump

Kaye I	18' 6"
Brooks	18' 2"
Thomas	15' 9"
Logan	"no jumps"

Discus

McGavin I	98' 8"
McGavin II	89' 10"
Loney	84'
Hallas	82'

440 Relay

Shawnigan	47.9
(McGavin II, Kaye I, Brooks, Slick).	
Venture	49.7



ANOTHER RECORD BROKEN

1st BASKETBALL TEAM



Standing: T. R. Robertson, E. D. G. Smith, R. C. Simson.
Front Row: R. A. Douglas, R. Cooper, C. D. Brooks, J. A. Kaye, G. A. B. McGavin.

Basketball, 1954-55

Enthusiasm for Basketball increased considerably during the past season. As a result the standard for all three teams improved to the degree where the School felt equal to challenging certain High Schools. In all cases the matches were evenly played and were enjoyed thoroughly by both sides. The fact that we can now compete as equals with the High Schools in a Canadian game is an important step forward in inter-school relations.

UNDER 16 BASKETBALL TEAM



Standing: I. Beardmore, E. A. Burgess, P. McIntosh.
Front Row: S. Perry, B. White, J. S. Poole, O. Foster, K. A. Greenwood.

Due to the rising interest and standard in the game, Basketball has been made a Senior sport on a par with Rugby and Cricket, and hence, for the first time, School Colours have been awarded. Cooper and Brooks received them early in the season and at the end Kaye I and Douglas I were awarded their Colours.

In all three teams, all the players worked hard and contributed much to sound team play. In no case, it is pleasing to note, did an individual attempt to shine; in every case, however, a conscious effort was made to subject individual glory to the success of the whole. In the Seniors, Cooper proved to be a thoroughly reliable guard in both offensive and defensive positions. Douglas I showed the results of a great deal of practice by averaging 15 points a game.

On the Under 16 Team, Poole showed the most instinct for the game and developed into an outstanding leader and play-maker.

On the Under 14 Team, Burgess II and Young showed the most promise insofar as they averaged 12 points and 11 points a game respectively. However, other members of this team will probably improve just as quickly as they get older.

Senior Matches were:—

vs. Cowichan High School	Lost	34 - 57
vs. University School	Won	45 - 14
vs. Cowichan High School	Lost	47 - 51
vs. H.M.C.S. "Venture"	Won	40 - 38
vs. University School	Won	71 - 38
vs. Cowichan High School	Won	50 - 46
vs. Oak Bay High School	Won	35 - 34

Under 16 matches were:—

vs. Cowichan High School	Lost	20 - 28
vs. Cowichan High School	Lost	21 - 43
vs. Duncan District	Won	37 - 34

Under 14 matches were:—

vs. Shawnigan Village	Won	28 - 0
vs. Cowichan High School	Tie	34 - 34
vs. Shawnigan Village	Won	24 - 22
vs. Cowichan High School	Won	30 - 19

UNDER 14 BASKETBALL TEAM



Standing: J. H. Mackenzie, D. Hebb, P. Brown.

Front Row: R. A. McIntosh, J. W. Brighton, S. Burgess, F. N. Young, D. Ross.

The Free-Throw Competition

The free-throw competition was held during the last week in February and keen interest was shown. There were very close competitions between Kaye I and Shaneman, and later between Kaye I and Armstrong II, who twice tied with Kaye and only lost by one basket. Burgess I, however, was the high scorer throughout the competition, defeating Angus and Brooks to take the prize.



Cricket, 1955

Another season came and went too quickly. The wonders of cricket—the feel of a new ball, the thrill produced by a perfectly-timed cover drive, the feeling of crisis during the last over of a match which can still be won, the spirit of comradeship which forms the background for any true cricket match—had only just been experienced when it was found that the Summer Term was over. However, sufficient cricket was played for some of the boys to catch a glimpse of this great game's true worth. For this reason alone, that our players began to enjoy the game for its own sake, the season was most successful. In addition, it might be noted, the results were quite fair.

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. UNIVERSITY SCHOOL

Played at Shawnigan on May 7th — Lost by 3 runs.

University School		Shawnigan Lake School	
Queake, lbw. Vandersluys	0	Jones, c. Moffatt, b. Shanks	0
Gerry, lbw. Vandersluys	0	Brooks, b. Stamer	7
Greenhouse, b. Cuppage	14	Douglas, b. Shanks	7
Moffatt, b. Cuppage	15	Kaye I, lbw. Stamer	16
Shanks, stpd., b. Crisp	16	Read I, c. Little, b. Shanks	24
Higgs I, lbw. Crisp	14	Smith, b. Stamer	0
Little, b. Crisp	2	Cuppage, run out	1
Pollard I, not out	3	McGavin I, b. Stamer	3
Coleman, b. Vandersluys	1	Crisp, c. Greenhouse, b. Shanks	1
Stamer, b. Crisp	1	Kaye II, b. Stamer	0
Dayton, c. Cuppage, b. Crisp	0	Vandersluys, not out	1
Extras	1	Extras	7
TOTAL	70	TOTAL	67

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. COWICHAN C.C.

Played at Shawnigan on May 1st — Won by 6 runs

Shawnigan Lake School		Cowichan C.C.	
Jones, c. Shaw, b. Anderson	3	Dyson, lbw. Vandersluys	3
Brooks, c. McAdam, b. Tibbles	7	Anderson, b. Kaye	17
Douglas, b. Tibbles	19	Walton, c. Kaye II, b. Vandersluys	13
Kaye I, lbw. Shaw	15	Howarth, run out	0
Cuppage, b. Ellis	5	Shaw, stpd., b. Cuppage	20
Smith, b. Walton	1	Ellis, b. Cuppage	18
Read I, not out	11	Milne, c. Crisp, b. Cuppage	5
McGavin I, b. Walton	0	Reid, c. Kaye I, b. Cuppage	1
Crisp, b. Walton	0	McAdam, not out	0
Kaye II, b. Walton	0	Tibbles, b. Cuppage	0
Vandersluys, c. Anderson, b. Walton	1	Jaggers, b. Vandersluys	1
Extras	33	Extras	10
TOTAL	94	TOTAL	88

1st XI CRICKET



Standing: B. Jones, R. Vandersluys, B. N. McGavin, C. Crisp, B. Cuppage, H. D. Read.
Sitting: G. A. B. McGavin, R. A. Douglas, J. A. Kaye, R. C. Simson, C. D. Brooks.

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. B.C. MAINLAND

Played at Shawnigan on May 9th. — Draw

B.C. Mainland		Shawnigan Lake School	
Stevenson, stpd., b. Crisp	37	Jones, c. Rush, b. Heap	17
Heap, b. Crisp	37	Brooks, c. Scott, b. Robson	0
Rush, c. Kaye I, b. Crisp	15	Douglas, c. Robson, b. Scott	21
Robson, b. Crisp	4	Kaye I, b. Kyle	27
Kyle, c. Cuppage, b. Crisp	27	Read I, b. Scott	14
Scott, c. Kaye I, b. Crisp	22	Cuppage, not out	15
MacGregor, c. Cuppage, b. Crisp	1	Crisp, b. Baker	2
Magnall, b. Douglas	8	Smith, b. Scott	2
Pearson, stpd. b. Cuppage	8	McGavin I, not out	3
Allen, not out	14	Vandersluys, Kaye II, did not bat.	
Extras	7	Extras	3
TOTAL	181	TOTAL	115

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. THE STAFF

Played at Shawnigan on May 19th — Lost by 90 runs

Shawnigan Lake School		The Staff	
Read, b. Lonsdale	1	Archbold, run out	4
Jones, b. Higgs	9	Higgs, run out	1
Cuppage, C. Maunsell, b. Higgs	0	Larsen, c. McGavin I, b. Douglas	45
Kaye I, c. Higgs, b. Curtis	21	Lonsdale, b. Douglas	59
Simson, b. Lonsdale	0	Curtis, b. Crisp	0
Douglas I, c. Maunsell, b. Higgs	0	Robinson, b. Crisp	0
Brooks, b. Higgs	0	Maunsell, b. Crisp	5
McGavin I, b. Higgs	1	Carr, c. Kaye, b. Douglas	0
McGavin II, run out	19	Dinter, b. Douglas	8
Vandersluys, run out	1	Hyde-Lay, not out	13
Crisp, not out	0	Kaye, c. McGavin II, b. Kaye	3
Extras	3	Extras	7
TOTAL	55	TOTAL	145

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. THE OLD BOYS

Played at Shawnigan on May 22nd — Lost by 34 runs

Shawnigan Lake School		Old Boys	
Jones, c. Kaye, b. Anderson	14	A. McGavin, c. McGavin II, b. Crisp ...	13
Read I, b. Butt	2	F. Read, b. Vandersluys	0
Cuppage, b. Butt	0	G. Dyson, lbw. Cuppage	2
Kaye I, b. Butt	12	E. Larsen, std., b. Cuppage	60
Simson, b. Butt	0	G. Butt, b. Cuppage	0
Douglas, b. Butt	4	A. Anderson, b. Crisp	11
Brooks, lbw. Burr	1	G. Kaye, c. Vandersluys, b. Kaye	7
McGavin I, b. Anderson	21	E. Beardmore, b. Kaye	2
McGavin II, run out	8	R. Robertson, not out	11
Crisp, not out	6	J. Burr, b. Douglas	4
Vandersluys, c. McGavin, b. Beardmore	4	W. Madden, b. Cuppage	1
Extras	13	Extras	8
TOTAL	85	TOTAL	119

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. ST. GEORGE'S

Played at Shawnigan on May 28th — Lost by 12 runs

St. George's		Shawnigan Lake School	
Fletcher, b. Cuppage	5	Jones, run out	8
Young, b. Cuppage	1	Read, b. Irvin	2
Irvin, b. Cuppage	0	Douglas, c. Fletcher, b. Crysdale	15
Tynan, c. Vandersluys, b. Kaye	99	Kaye, c. Gilmore, b. Crysdale	7
Ramage, lbw. Cuppage	0	Brooks, c. Irvin, b. Hopkins	20
Anton, b. Cuppage	0	McGavin I, b. Hopkins	18
Hopkins, run out	0	Cuppage, c. Young, b. Hopkins	14
Harrison, c. Kaye, b. Douglas	3	McGavin II, c. Tynan, b. Hopkins	0
Ferry, b. Douglas	0	Smith, not out	9
Crysdale, not out	6	Vandersluys, b. Irvin	12
Gilmore, b. Kaye	3	Crisp, b. Irvin	0
Extras	8	Extras	8
TOTAL	125	TOTAL	113

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. COWICHAN C.C.

Played at Duncan on June 4th — Draw

Cowichan C.C.		Shawnigan Lake School	
Shaw, c. Douglas, b. Crisp	12	Jones, b. Ellis	10
Milne, lbw. Crisp	13	Brooks, b. Ellis	0
Anderson, c. Kaye, b. Crisp	18	Read I, c. Rosendale, b. Green	3
Chappel, b. Kaye	1	Kaye I, b. Green	0
Rosendale, c. McGavin I, b. Kaye	0	McGavin I, c. Shaw, b. Green	2
Baiss, c. McGavin I, b. Crisp	5	Douglas I, run out	16
Green, b. Cuppage	22	Cuppage, b. Tibbles	3
Smith, c. Burgess, b. Crisp	0	McGavin II, b. Tibbles	2
Ellis, c. Burgess, b. Cuppage	1	Burgess I, c. Anderson, b. Rosendale ...	5
Tibbles, not out	2	Crisp, not out	16
Reid, run out	0	Vandersluys, not out	1
Extras	14	Extras	8
TOTAL	88	TOTAL	65

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 1st XI vs. UNIVERSITY SCHOOL

Played at University School on June 11th — Won by 57 runs

Shawnigan Lake School

Jones, c. Moffat, b. Shanks	35
Read I, c. Greenhouse, b. Stamer	1
Brooks, b. Shanks	0
McGavin I, b. Greenhouse	1
Kaye I, c. Gerry, b. Greenhouse	11
Douglas I, lbw. Greenhouse	1
Cuppage, lbw. Higgs	8
McGavin II, c. Queale, b. Shanks	9
Crisp, b. Higgs	0
Robertson, I not out	3
Vandersluys, did not bat.	
Extras	10

TOTAL 79

University School

Queale, c. McGavin I, b. Cuppage	4
Greenhouse, lbw. Vandersluys	3
Moffat, b. Cuppage	1
Shanks, c. McGavin I, b. Vandersluys	1
Higgs I, b. Cuppage	2
Gerry, c. McGavin I, b. Cuppage	3
Pollard, b. Vandersluys	0
Little, c. McGavin I, b. Vandersluys	2
Coleman, c. Vandersluys, b. Cuppage	0
Higgs II, b. Cuppage	0
Stamer not out	0
Extras	6

TOTAL 22

2nd XI CRICKET



Standing: J. S. Poole, O. Foster, R. Cooper, W. Money, I. B. Robertson, I. Beardmore.
Sitting: E. A. Burgess, E. D. G. Smith, M. M. Kaye, T. R. Robertson, V. Clarke.

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 2nd XI vs. ST. GEORGE'S 2nd XI

Played in Vancouver on May 14th — Won by 46 runs

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 2nd XI vs. QUALICUM COLLEGE 1st XI

Played at Shawnigan on June 1st — Won by 47 runs

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 2nd XI vs. VICTORIA JUNIORS

Played at Shawnigan on June 5th — Lost by 18 runs

SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL 2nd XI vs. QUALICUM COLLEGE 1st XI

Played at Qualicum on June 9th — Won by 33 runs

The following are the batting averages for the 1955 season:—

	Total Runs	Innings	Times not out	Average
Kaye I	109	8	0	13.6
Jones	96	8	0	12.0
Douglas I	83	8	0	10.4
Read I	58	8	1	8.3

The following are the bowling averages for the 1955 season:—

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Douglas I	10	--	61	8	7.6
Crisp	39	3	207	23	9.0
Cuppige	59	8	225	25	9.0
Kaye I	21	--	116	8	14.5
Vandersluys	42	5	162	11	14.7

COLTS XI CRICKET



Standing: J. H. Mackenzie, R. Pelling, D. R. Wilson, S. Wade, E. Larsen, J. Mercer.
Sitting: P. Armstrong, P. K. Janke, C. Lonsdale, S. Ryland, S. Burgess.



Squash, 1954-55

Due to some extent to the fact that the squash courts were renovated at the beginning of the season, interest for the game has been maintained at a high level. At least twenty boys have kept a continued competition in operation over positions on the squash ladder. At the end of the season the first six positions were held by Robertson I, Smith, Jones, Crisp, Larsen and Kaye I.

There were two main tournaments within the School. The Inter-House competition was played for between House teams of five players—three Seniors and two under the age of 15. Groves' won quite easily with Smith, Crisp, Kaye I, Larsen and Lecky on the team. The School Championship was won by Robertson I, who defeated Smith in the finals.

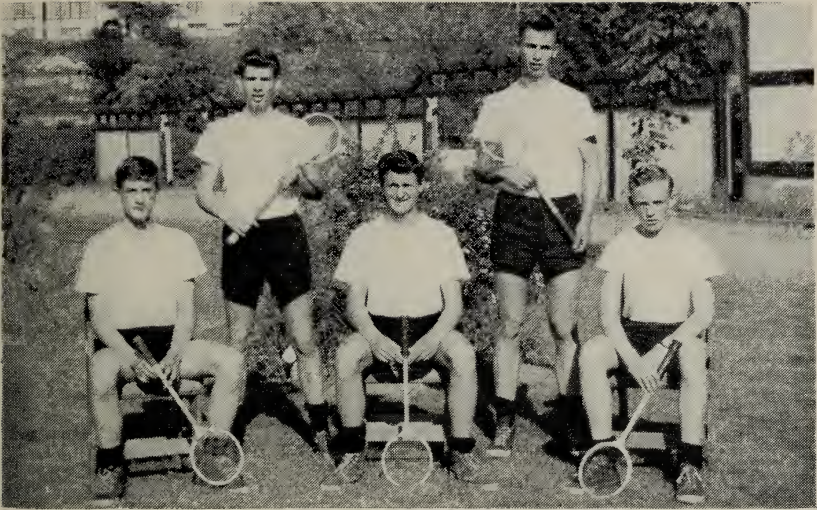
Squash Tournament

A squash team, composed of Robertson I, Smith I, Crisp, Kaye I, Kaye II, and Larsen, played in the Pacific Northwest Squash Tournament held in Victoria from March 11th to 13th. It was an important tournament for the boys who each entered two classes, his own and the one above.

Robertson and Smith were unsuccessful in both "C" and "B" classes, losing to superior players in the final rounds of "C" class. The remainder were defeated in "C" class.

In "D" class it was a different story. Kaye II reached the second round and Larsen the third, while Crisp put out Kaye I in the third round and then went on to win in this class. We congratulate Crisp on winning and thus becoming Pacific Northwest "D" class champion.

SQUASH TEAM



Standing: C. Crisp, J. A. Kaye.

Sitting: E. D. G. Smith, T. R. Robertson, B. Jones

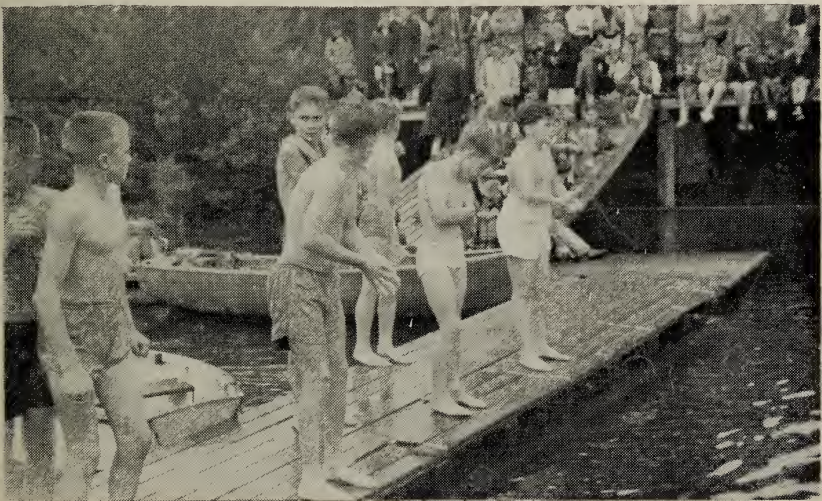
Swimming, 1954

The Inter-House Swimming Sports were held early in the term and were won by Groves' House with Lake's House second and Ripley's third. In the open events Cooper again proved himself to be the best swimmer in the School by winning every race. However, he had a tussle in each event and only won the free-style by a touch from McGavin I and Smith who were leading until the final five yards. The general standard was high and showed that we have many good swimmers in the School.

In the Under 16 Events McGavin II walked off with individual honours, though his margin of superiority over Stewart II and Perry was surprisingly small; other boys who swam well in this age group were McKechnie II, McLean, and Poole.

There was a surprise in the Under 14 Events in that Mowat II beat his competitors to win the free-style and the back-stroke; Svendsen II, Pelling and Wilson also showed up well.

The Diving Events were won by Simson in the Senior, and Pelling in the Junior.



The Inter-House Soccer

On Monday, March 14th, the annual Inter-House soccer matches were held. Each house entered both a senior and a junior team. Lake's House were the victors with a total of six points.

In the senior games Lake's and Groves' played to a scoreless tie, as did Ripley's and Groves' when they met. Lake's, however, defeated Ripley's, who scored on the goal made by Armstrong I, while Lake's made five. Slick I, Kenney and Burgess I shot in those goals.

In the junior games Ripley's and Groves' tied when each scored one. Lake's with goals by Nichols, Clarke I and Lonsdale beat Ripley's three to one. The last game resulted in a scoreless draw between Groves' and Lake's.

The competition was keen and the final results were as follows:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	G.F.	G.A.	Pts.
Lake's	4	2	0	2	8	2	6
Groves'	4	0	0	4	1	1	4
Ripley's	4	0	2	2	3	9	2

COLTS RUGBY XV



Standing: E. Larsen, B. Witt, W. J. Phillips, T. Warren, D. Ross, B. Jones, S. Burgess
W. Trenholme. Sitting: M. McLean, E. Burgess, J. S. Poole, M. McAlpine, B. White.
Front Row: P. McIntosh, J. W. Brighten.

JUNIOR RUGBY XV



Standing: R. A. McIntosh, B. Mitchell, R. Cromie, B. Millner, D. R. Wilson, D. Jackson,
F. Waters, P. Armstrong. Sitting: R. Angus, P. Brown, P. K. Janke, F. A. Ford, J. Mercer.
Front Row: P. Slick, W. Foster.

BOXING WINNERS



Standing: B. Witt, M. McAlpine, S. Burgess. Sitting: I. Beardmore, E. T. Kenney, J. V. Stewart, R. Cooper, J. Armstrong. Front Row: J. Mercer, C. Yorath.



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